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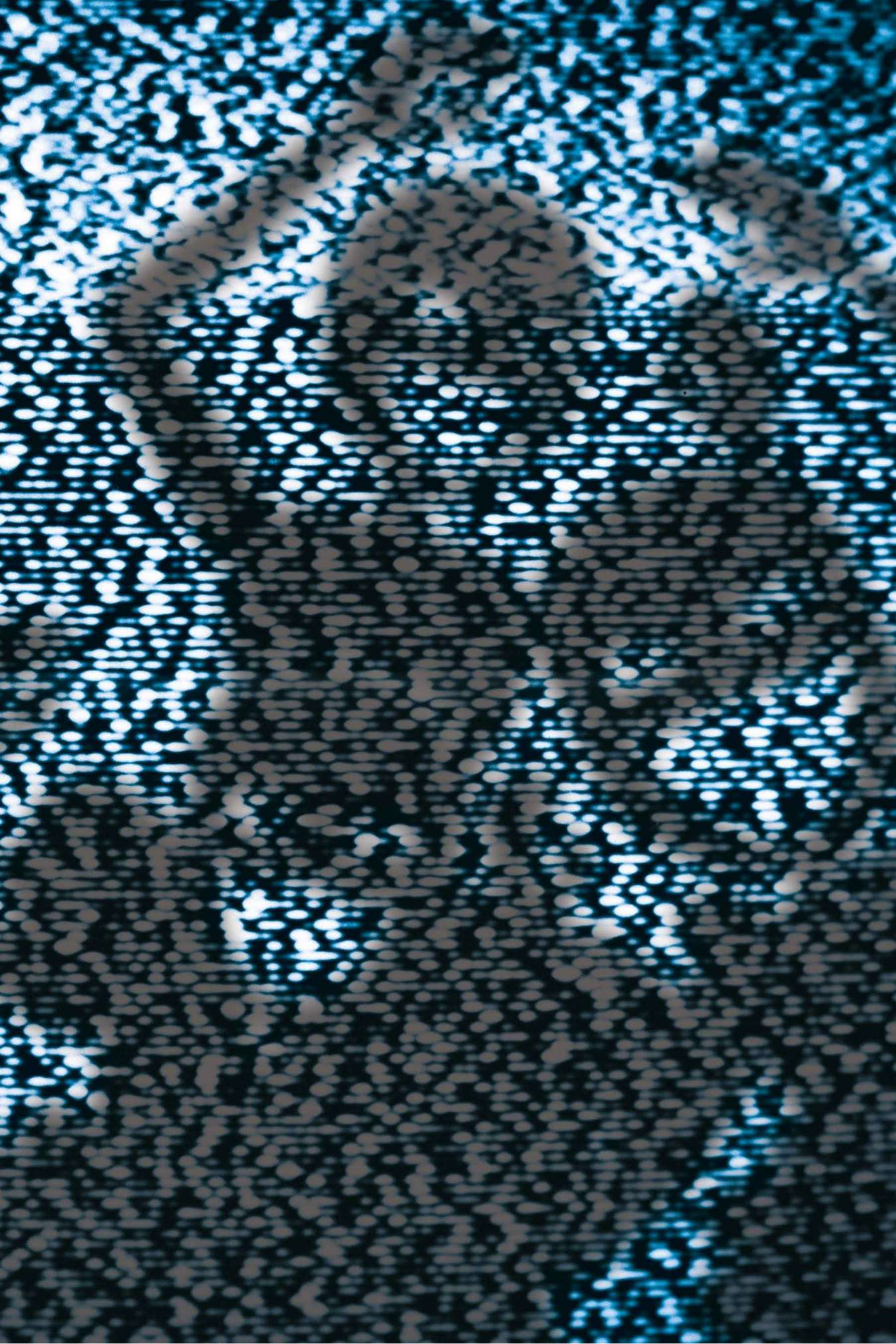
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FETCH











BESIDES, WE WERE  
MEANT TO BE HERE.  
I WAS DRAWN HERE  
FOR A REASON . . .

... I  
CAN FEEL  
IT.

EVERYTHING  
IS STILL  
HERE . . .

COOL!

I THOUGHT IT  
WOULD BE WAY MORE  
RUN-DOWN. IT JUST NEEDS  
A HEAVY CLEANING, AND  
IT WOULD BE READY  
FOR PEOPLE TO EAT  
HERE AGAIN.

THIS IS  
DOPE!

ACHOO!









WERE YOU WHAT WAS  
CALLING OUT TO ME?



YOU  
MUST HAVE  
BEEN . . .



THE INSTRUCTIONS SHOW  
A DIFFERENT KEYPAD THAN  
THAT. I DON'T THINK ANY OF  
THESE BUTTON SEQUENCES  
WOULD MATCH.



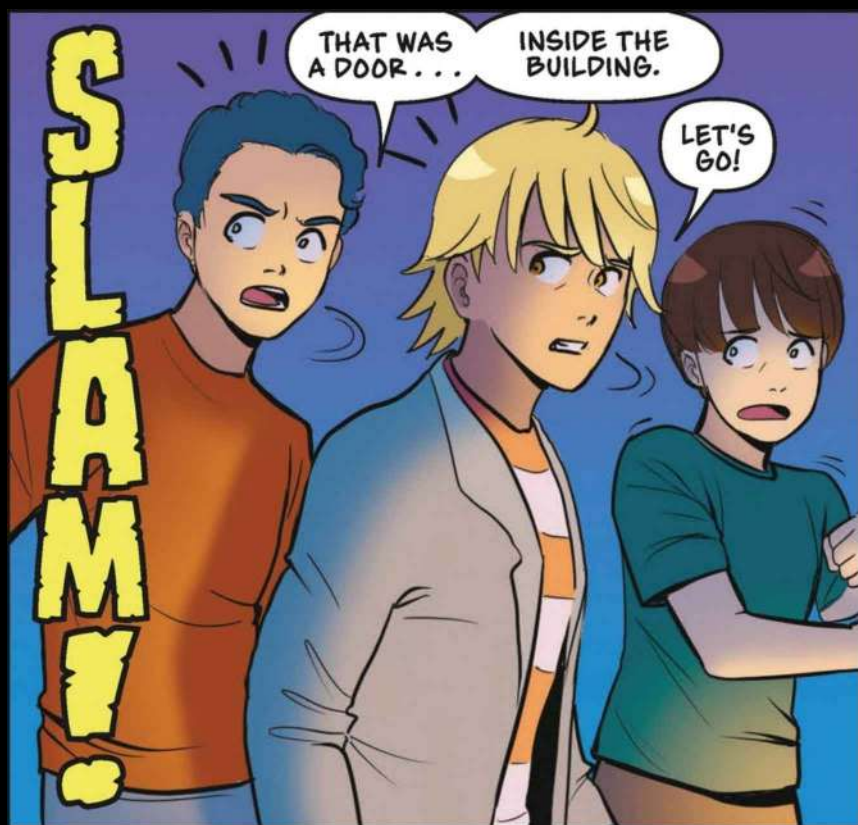
I'LL JUST FOLLOW  
MY INSTINCTS . . .



. . . JUST LIKE  
HOW I KNEW TO  
COME HERE . . .



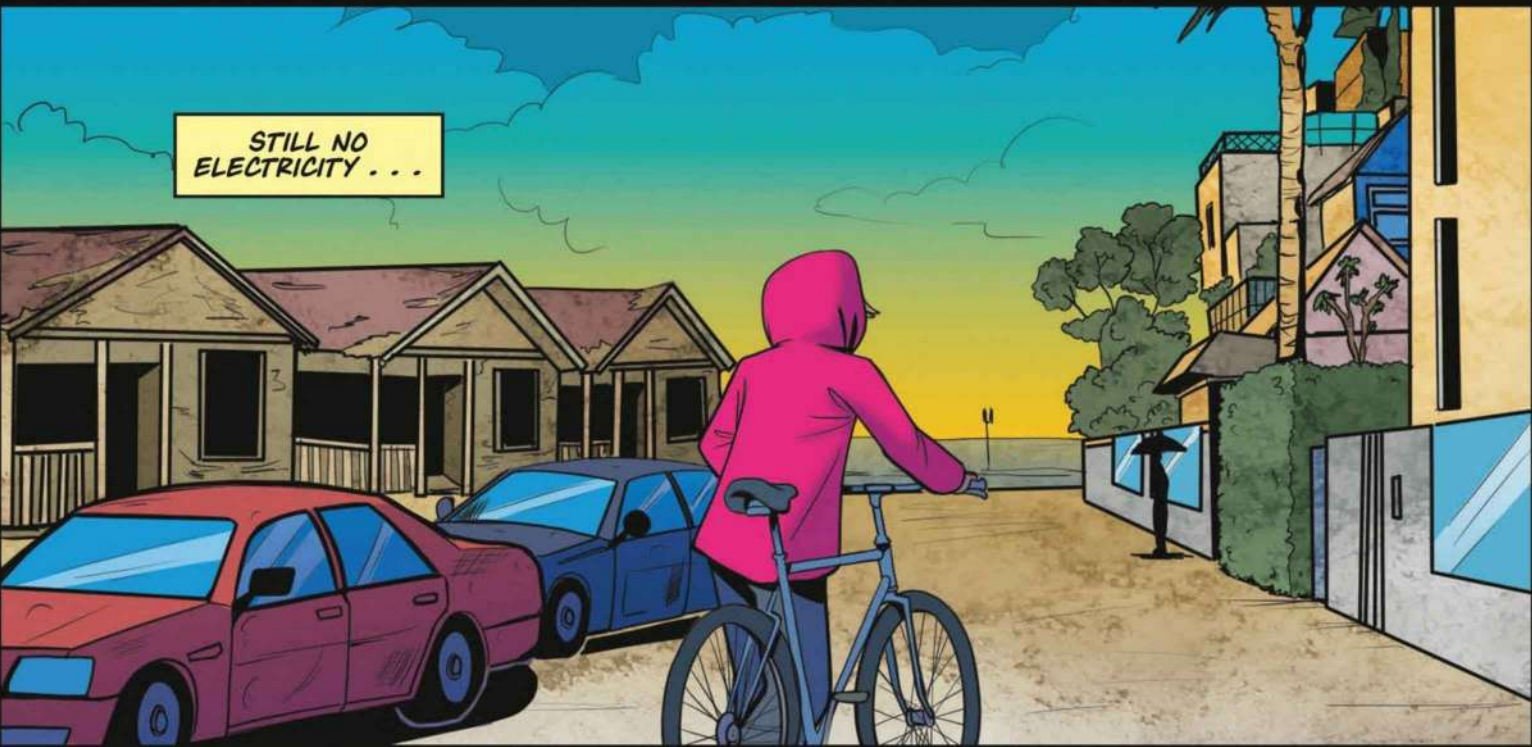




















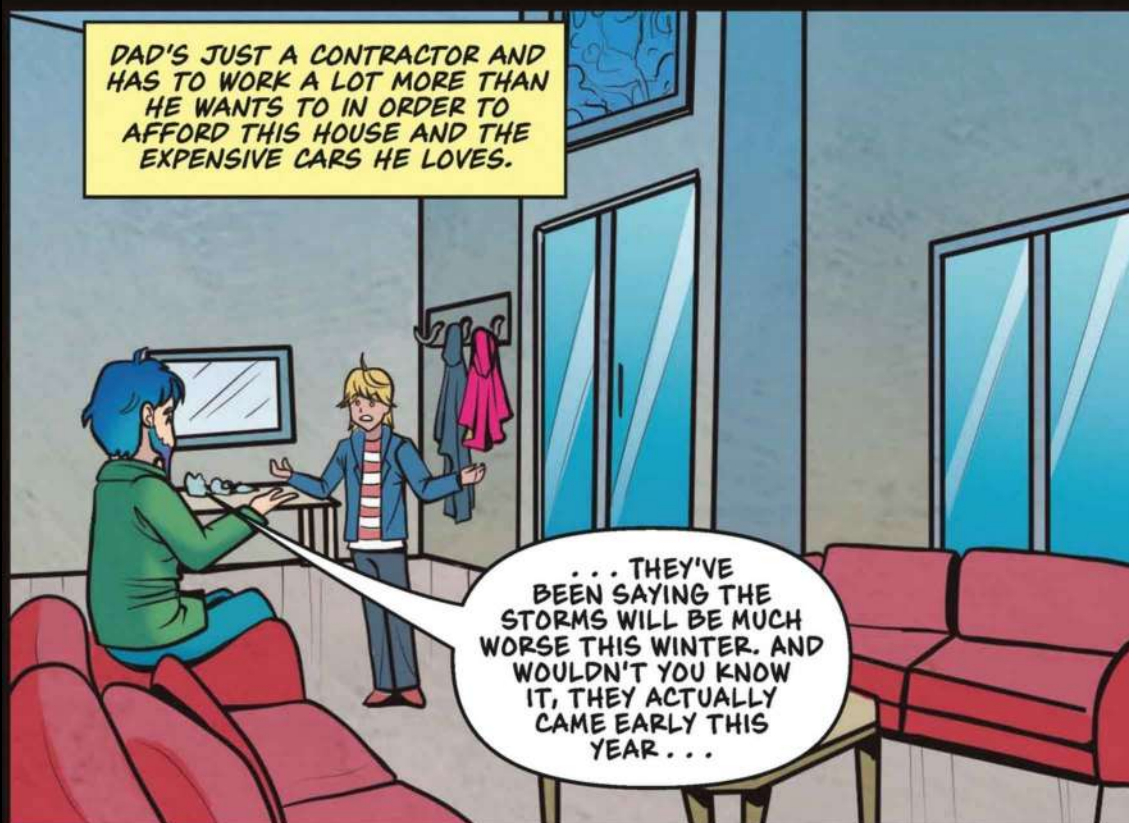
WHERE'D THE GENERATOR COME FROM?

I GOT IT IN OLYMPIA. YOUR DAD'S BEEN SAYING FOR YEARS YOU DON'T NEED IT . . .



UNCLE DARRIN IS MY MOM'S BROTHER. AND DAD HATES HIM FOR ALL THE REASONS I THINK HE'S GREAT. HE'S FLAMBOYANT AND FUN AND A WEALTHY, SUCCESSFUL INVENTOR WHO HAS GOOD LUCK WITH INVESTMENTS.

. . . BUT THAT'S BULLHONKY. I TOLD HIM HE'S GOING TO WISH HE HAD ONE . . .



DAD'S JUST A CONTRACTOR AND HAS TO WORK A LOT MORE THAN HE WANTS TO IN ORDER TO AFFORD THIS HOUSE AND THE EXPENSIVE CARS HE LOVES.

. . . THEY'VE BEEN SAYING THE STORMS WILL BE MUCH WORSE THIS WINTER. AND WOULDN'T YOU KNOW IT, THEY ACTUALLY CAME EARLY THIS YEAR . . .



DAD'S ALWAYS TRIED TO CRAM THAT TYPICAL BOY STUFF LIKE CARS AND SPORTS DOWN MY THROAT. BUT DAD'S ALWAYS ACCEPTED ME THE WAY I AM.

. . . HOW ABOUT THAT RAIN WE GOT LAST WEEK FOR HALLOWEEN? OF COURSE YOUR DAD WON'T LISTEN.



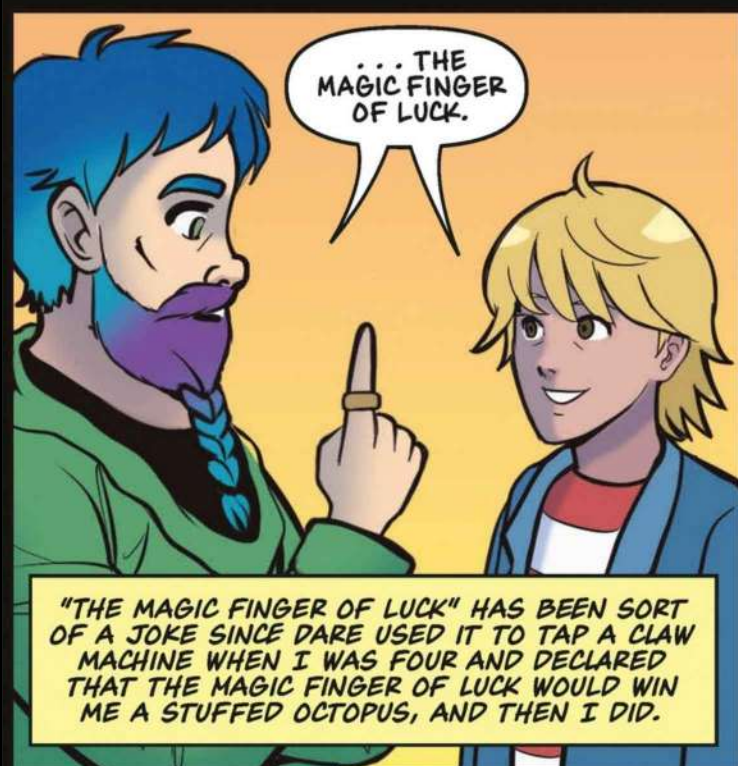
WELL, NOW THAT THE GENERATOR IS SET UP AND I KNOW YOU'RE HOME SAFE, I'LL HEAD OUT.



OH! I HEARD YOU GOT YOUR FIRST BABYSITTING GIG. GLAD YOU FINALLY BROUGHT YOUR OLD MAN AROUND.

WELL, ONCE YOU THREW YOUR TWO CENTS IN, IT WAS THREE AGAINST ONE. I'M SITTING FOR THE MCNALLYS' KID NEXT WEEK-JAKE? THEY NEED SOMEONE TO WATCH HIM ON SATURDAYS.









EVERYTHING  
CONNECTS  
TO THE ZERO  
POINT FIELD . . .

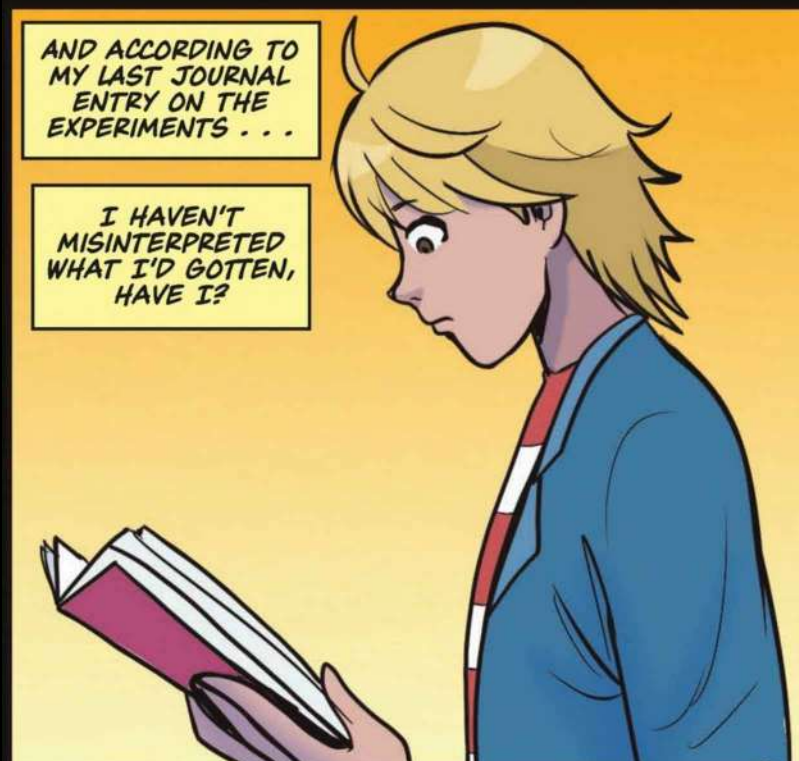
DARE HAS THE  
MAGIC FINGER OF  
LUCK. I HAVE  
THESE PLANTS.  
THEY'RE THE  
KEY, OR AT LEAST  
THE CATALYST.

THEY WON'T HELP  
ME TONIGHT,  
THOUGH. I NEED  
TO REVIEW WHAT  
I KNOW ABOUT  
RANDOM EVENT  
GENERATORS.



MACHINES AND  
CONSCIOUSNESS . . .

CAUSE AND  
EFFECT . . .



AND ACCORDING TO  
MY LAST JOURNAL  
ENTRY ON THE  
EXPERIMENTS . . .

I HAVEN'T  
MISINTERPRETED  
WHAT I'D GOTTEN,  
HAVE I?



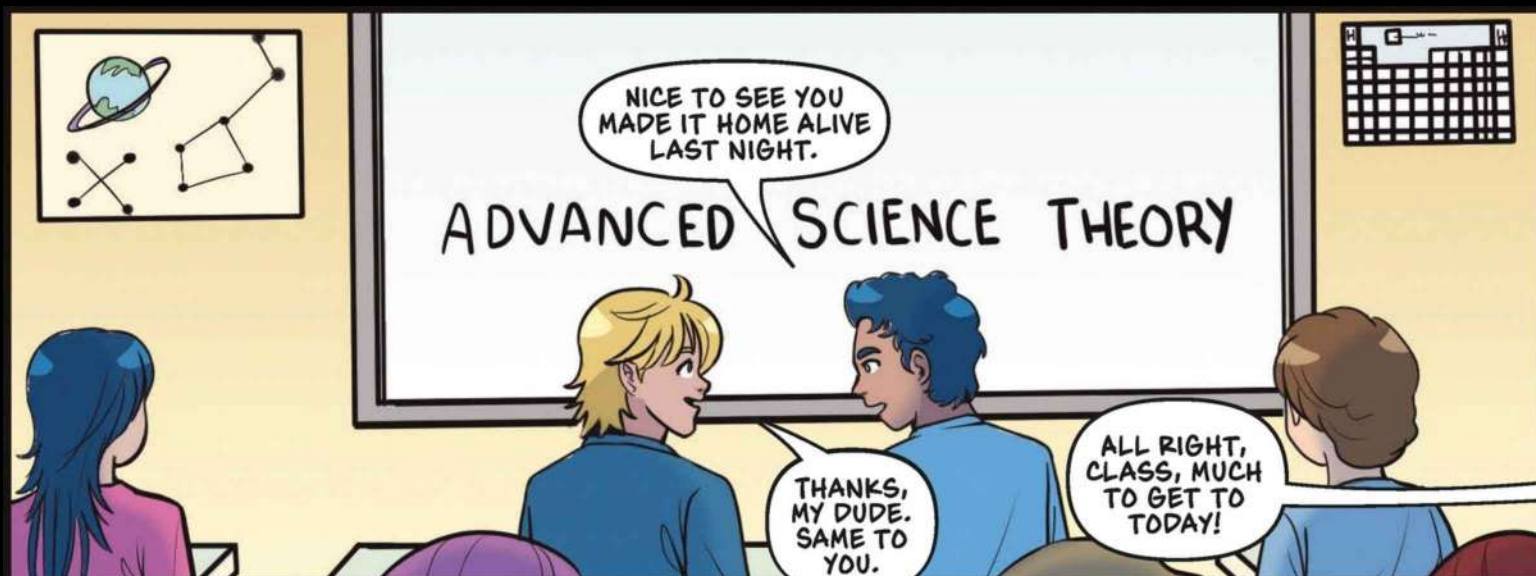
NO. I'M EITHER ON THE  
RIGHT TRACK OR I'M NOT.

AND IF NOT, I  
DON'T WANT TO  
KNOW WHAT  
TRACK I'M ON.

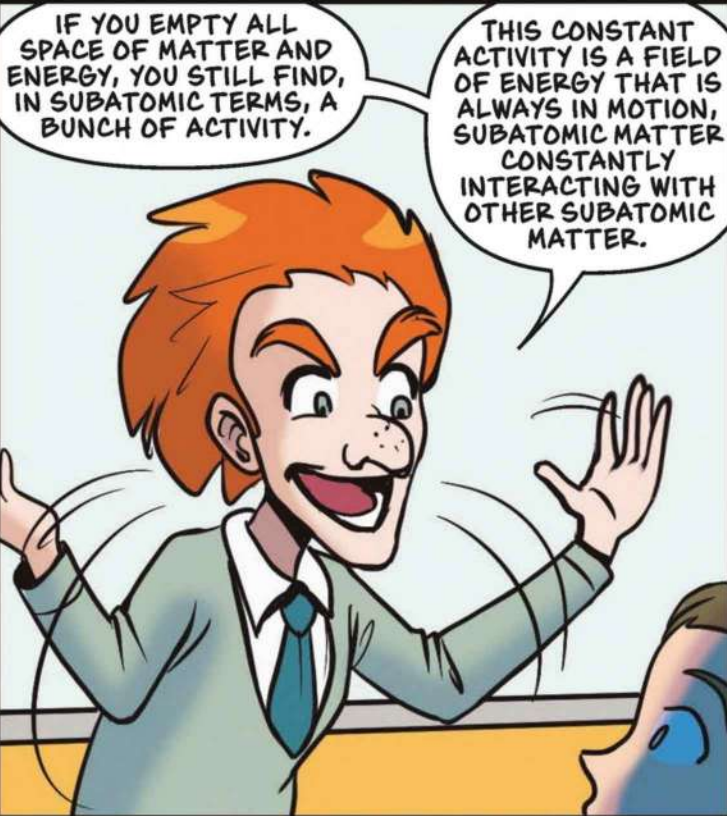


THE WAY I WAS  
DRAWN TO THAT  
PLACE COULDN'T  
HAVE BEEN A  
COINCIDENCE.









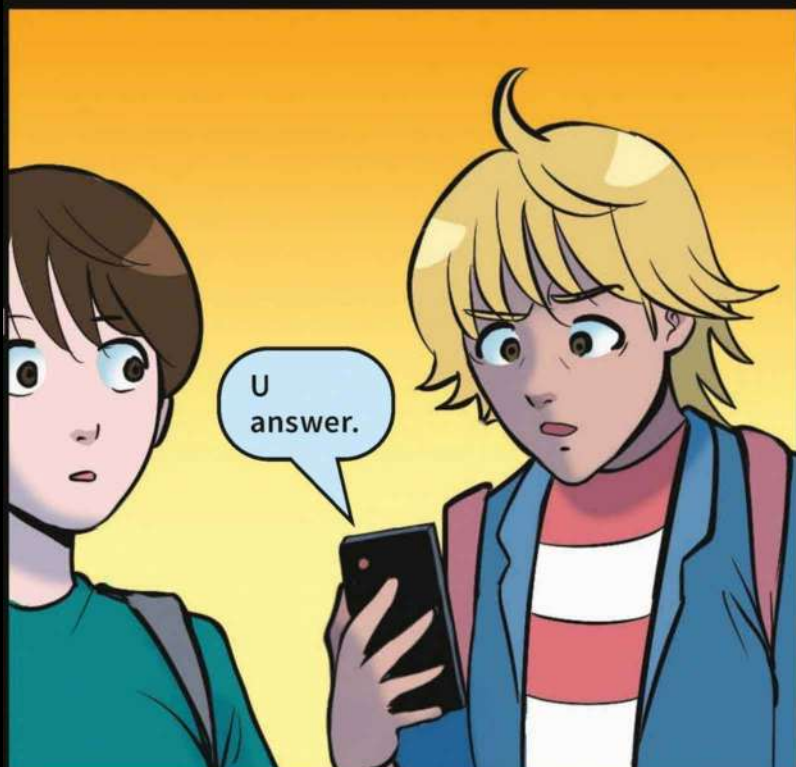




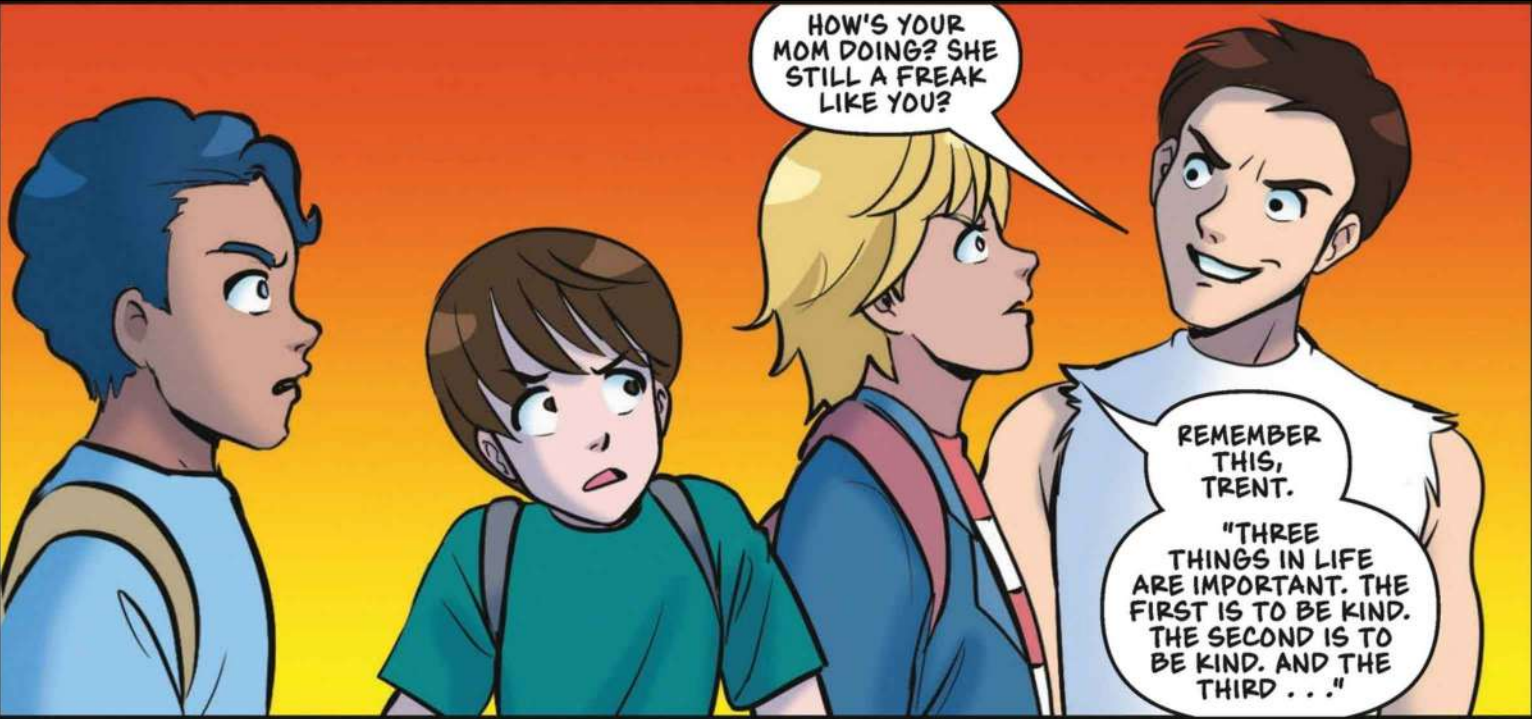














IT'S BEEN A DAY SINCE "FETCH" FIRST TEXTED ME, AND HE'S BEING DOING IT CONSTANTLY SINCE.

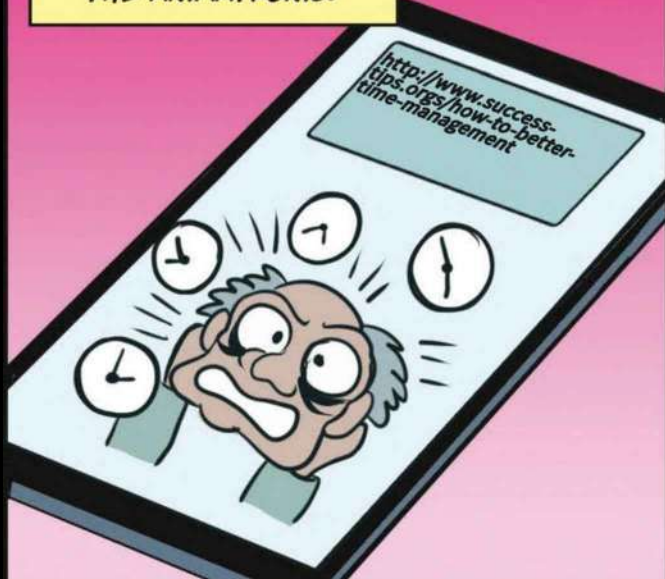


Want to hop online for a raid later?

Can't. 2 much homework. I wish I had more time!



BY NOW, IT'S BECOME CLEAR THE TEXTS HAVE TO BE COMING FROM THE ANIMATRONIC.



IT'S ALWAYS RELATED TO SOMETHING I'M LOOKING FOR.



AND HE'S CLEARLY TRYING TO LIVE UP TO HIS NAME.



Search Bar  
Random Event Generators!  
Latest research. YW.  
<http://www.modernscientist.news/regs-and-intention>







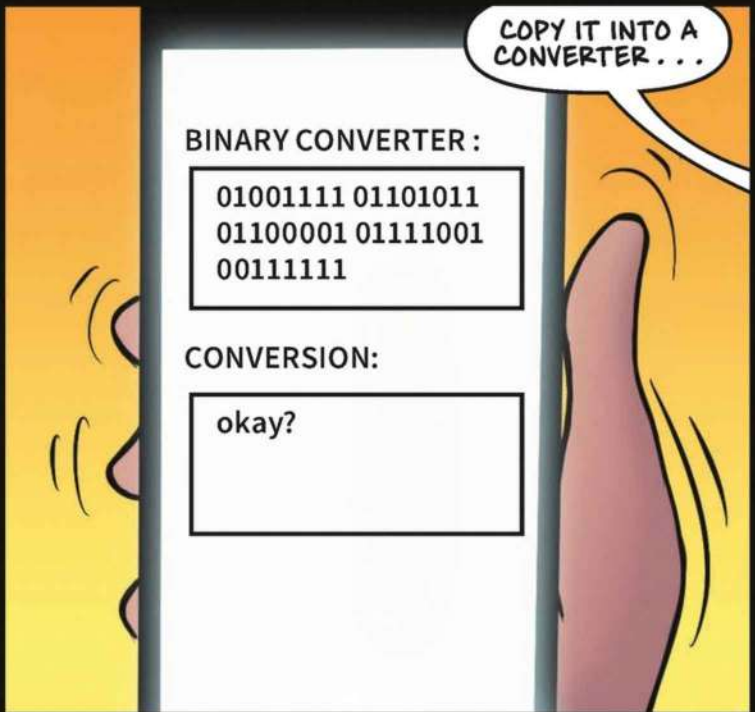
THE ARTICLE FETCH SENT IS ABOUT HOW REGS MEASURE WHETHER A PERSON CAN THINK HARD ENOUGH TO HAVE AN EFFECT ON AN OUTCOME IN THE PHYSICAL WORLD.



THE REGS WORK BY GENERATING RANDOM ONES AND ZEROS-

01001111 01101011  
01100001 01111001  
00111111

BINARY CODE.



COPY IT INTO A CONVERTER...

BINARY CONVERTER :  
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01100001 01111001  
00111111

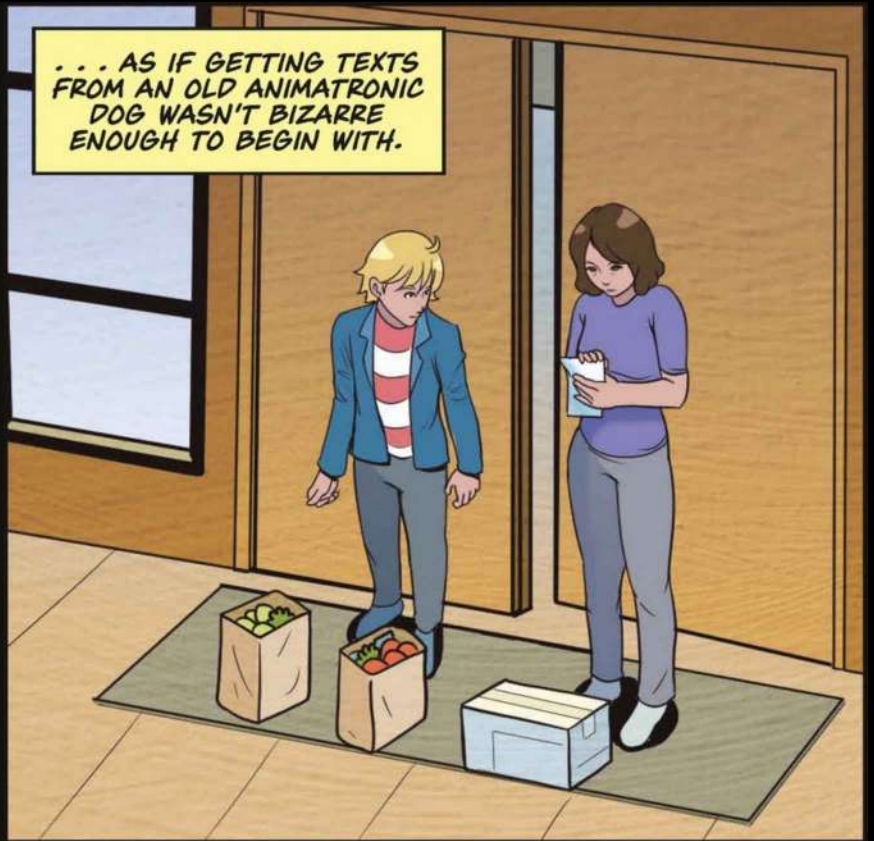
CONVERSION:  
okay?



I'M NOT SURE IF IT'S OKAY AT ALL.

DEFINITELY MORE SPOOKY THAN OKAY.







I'VE BEEN KEEPING A LOG OF ALL OF FETCH'S INTERACTIONS. I DON'T UNDERSTAND IT ALL YET, BUT IT'S IMPORTANT FEEDBACK FOR MY PROJECT WITH THE ZERO POINT FIELD.

Texted to ask why I left restaurant.  
Found articles on REGs and time management.  
Asked "Okay?" in binary.  
Able to access phone logs?  
Hacked Mom's grocery order?!  
Warned not to do anything stupid. When asked why I would do anything stupid, responded, "Dunno."  
Gave a translation when I texted Cyril for help with a phrase for Spanish homework.

IS IT TIME TO TELL MY FRIENDS WHAT'S BEEN GOING ON?





IT'S BEEN A FEW WEEKS NOW WITH MY REGULAR SATURDAY BABYSITTING GIG WITH JAKE.

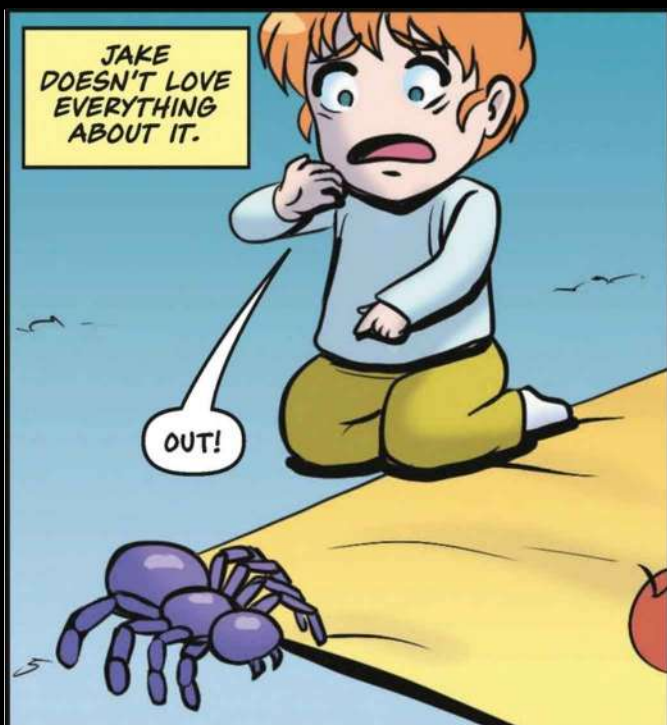
IT'S ALSO A COUPLE OF WEEKS BEFORE CHRISTMAS, AND THE WEATHER IS BAD, AS USUAL.

UNCLE DARE'S COME BY TO HELP SET UP A "RAINY-DAY PICNIC."



JAKE DOESN'T LOVE EVERYTHING ABOUT IT.

OUT!



GOOD JOB, BOYO.

THANKS, DARE.

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME MY ACTUAL DAD TOLD ME "GOOD JOB" ABOUT ANYTHING?

OR HELPED? HE'D NEVER COME BY HERE. HE'S ALWAYS WORKING.

BUT UNCLE DARE ALWAYS MAKES EVERYTHING SEEM BETTER.





A COUPLE OF  
DAYS BEFORE  
CHRISTMAS . . .



WHAT  
ARE YOU  
UP TO?



SENDING  
THOUGHTS  
TO MY PLANTS,  
JUST LIKE  
A REG.

THEY SEEM TO  
BE RESPONDING  
REALLY WELL  
TO MY LATEST  
INTENTIONS.



...  
UH-HUH.  
SO, MOVING  
ON FROM YOU  
BEING A  
NERD . . .

TRENT'S  
BEEN PICKING  
ON CYRIL A LOT  
MORE LATELY,  
HUH?

HE'S  
SUCH A  
JERK.



HE NEEDS  
TO BE PRANKED. I  
OVERHEARD HIM THE  
OTHER DAY TELLING  
ZACH HE'S AFRAID  
OF SPIDERS.

SERIOUSLY? A  
COUPLE OF WEEKS  
AGO, I BURIED ONE IN  
THE YARD OF THE KID  
I BABYSIT. MAYBE IF  
THE RAIN STOPS,  
I'LL DIG IT UP.

YEAH, DO  
THAT. HO HO HO.  
IT'D MAKE A NICE  
SURPRISE IN HIS  
STOCKING.



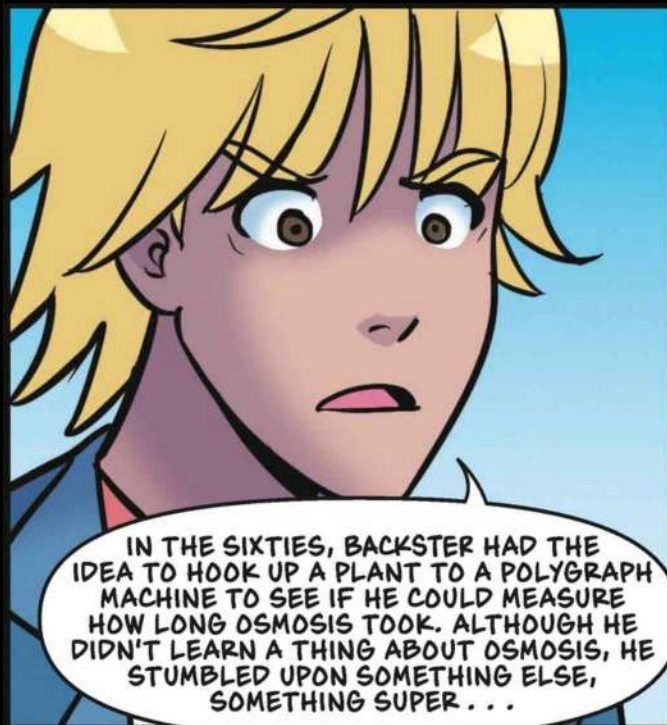














IF THEY WANT TO BELIEVE IT'S JUST SOME STALKER, THEN IT'S USELESS TRYING TO GET THEM TO UNDERSTAND WHAT'S GOING ON WITH FETCH, WITH THE FIELD, AND REGS . . .



THIS IS SO WEIRD . . .

IS HE OUT HERE NOW?

I DON'T SEE ANYBODY . . .

I'LL KEEP YOU POSTED IF ANYTHING ELSE HAPPENS.

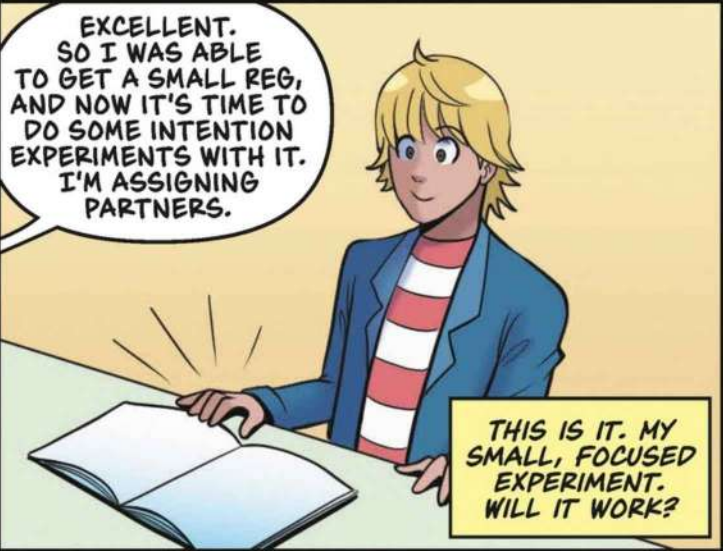
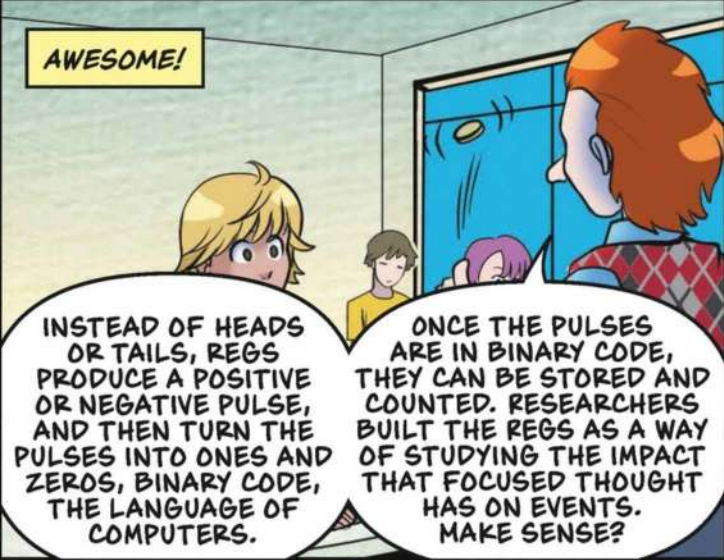
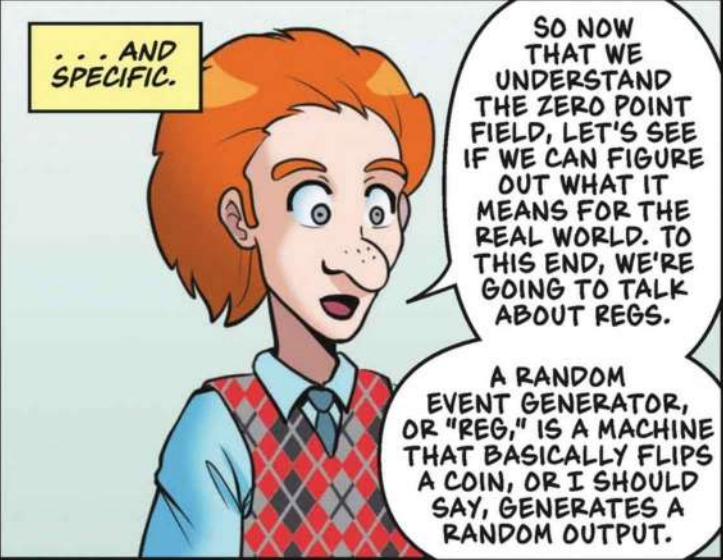
IF I WANT ANY HELP HERE, IT'S TIME TO CONDUCT MORE EXPERIMENTS. GOING TO THE ABANDONED RESTAURANT IN ITSELF HAD BEEN A TEST, AND I'M STILL NOT SURE HOW THAT TURNED OUT.

I PUT OUT AN INTENTION, A DESIRE BACKED BY MY WILL THAT IT UNFOLD. THAT LED TO AN IMPULSE TO ACT. THAT IMPULSE TOOK ME TO THE RESTAURANT, WHERE I FOUND FETCH.

BUT HOW DOES FETCH PLAY INTO THE GRAND SCHEME OF THINGS? MY FIRST EXPERIMENT WILL BE SOMETHING SMALL . . .







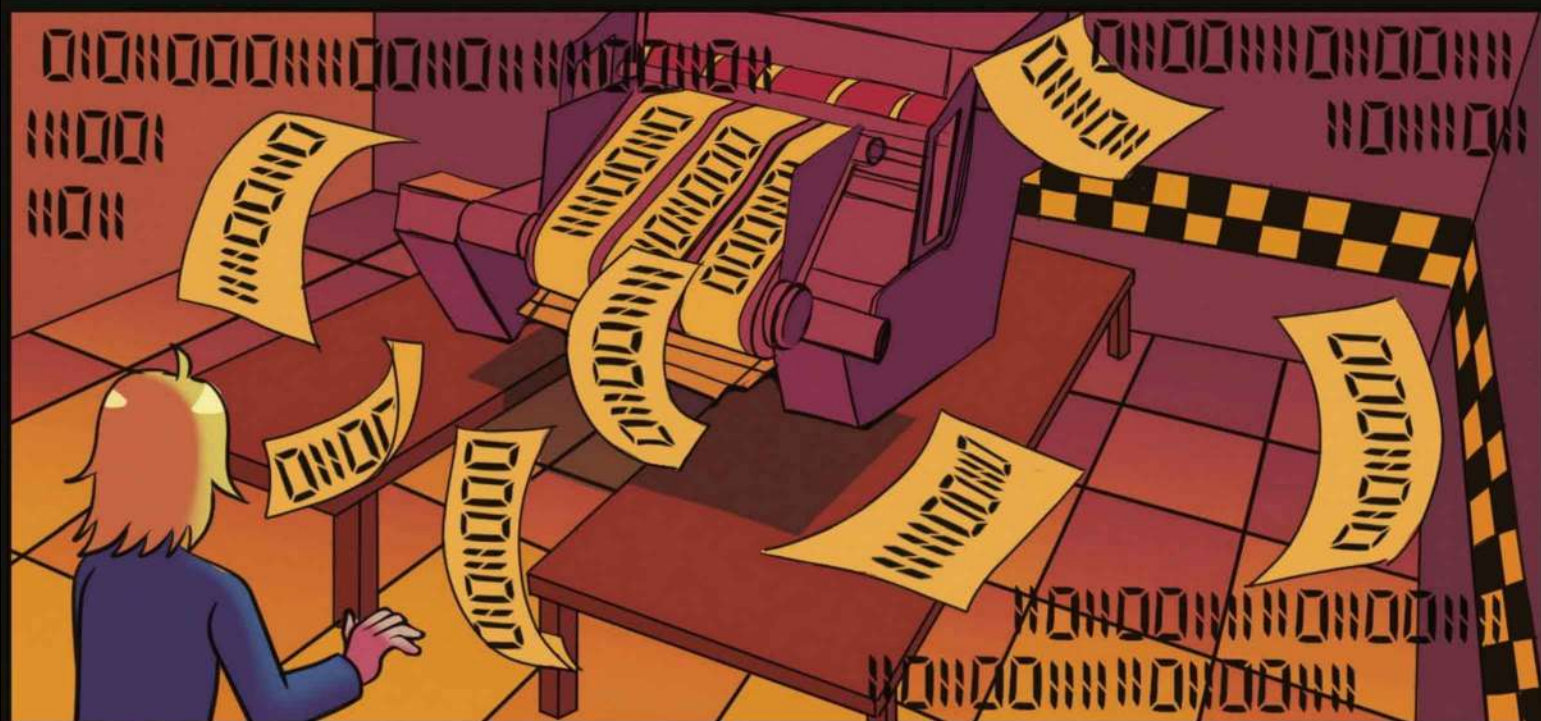
















BAD DREAMS  
ALL NIGHT. NOT  
A SURPRISE,  
CONSIDERING.

BUT DOES IT  
MEAN THIS  
IS WORKING?  
OR NOT?



BYE,  
MOM!



MORE STORMS.  
DARE WAS  
DEFINITELY  
RIGHT ABOUT-



OH  
NO.

THIS CAN'T BE  
HAPPENING.



THE DOG FROM  
NEXT DOOR . . .

. . . STIFF, EYES  
WIDE OPEN, TORN  
APART, GUTTED . . .

. . . PROPPED UP  
AGAINST THE WHEEL  
OF MY BIKE . . .



. . . LIKE  
A PRESENT.

≡HURK≡  
≡GAKKK≡





I HAVE TO  
MOVE IT.



WHICH  
MEANS I  
HAVE TO  
TOUCH IT.



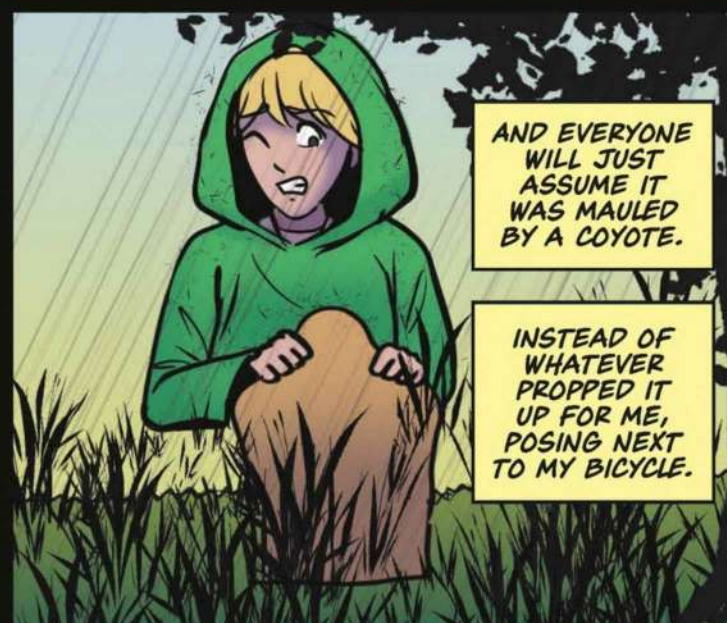
NO WAY AM  
I GOING TO  
TOUCH IT.



IF THIS DOG WERE A  
HUMAN, FORENSICS  
WOULD POINT TO ME  
IN A NANOSECOND.



BUT IT'S NOT,  
WHICH MEANS NO  
INVESTIGATION.



AND EVERYONE  
WILL JUST  
ASSUME IT  
WAS MAULED  
BY A COYOTE.

INSTEAD OF  
WHATEVER  
PROPPED IT  
UP FOR ME,  
POSING NEXT  
TO MY BICYCLE.





AND I'M  
SURE THAT  
TEXT IS  
FROM . . .



. . . FETCH.

YW.



DIGGING UP A  
TOY SPIDER IS  
ONE THING.  
SPOOKY.

BUT THIS?  
THIS IS  
TERRIFYING.



WHAT ELSE  
WOULD  
FETCH DO?

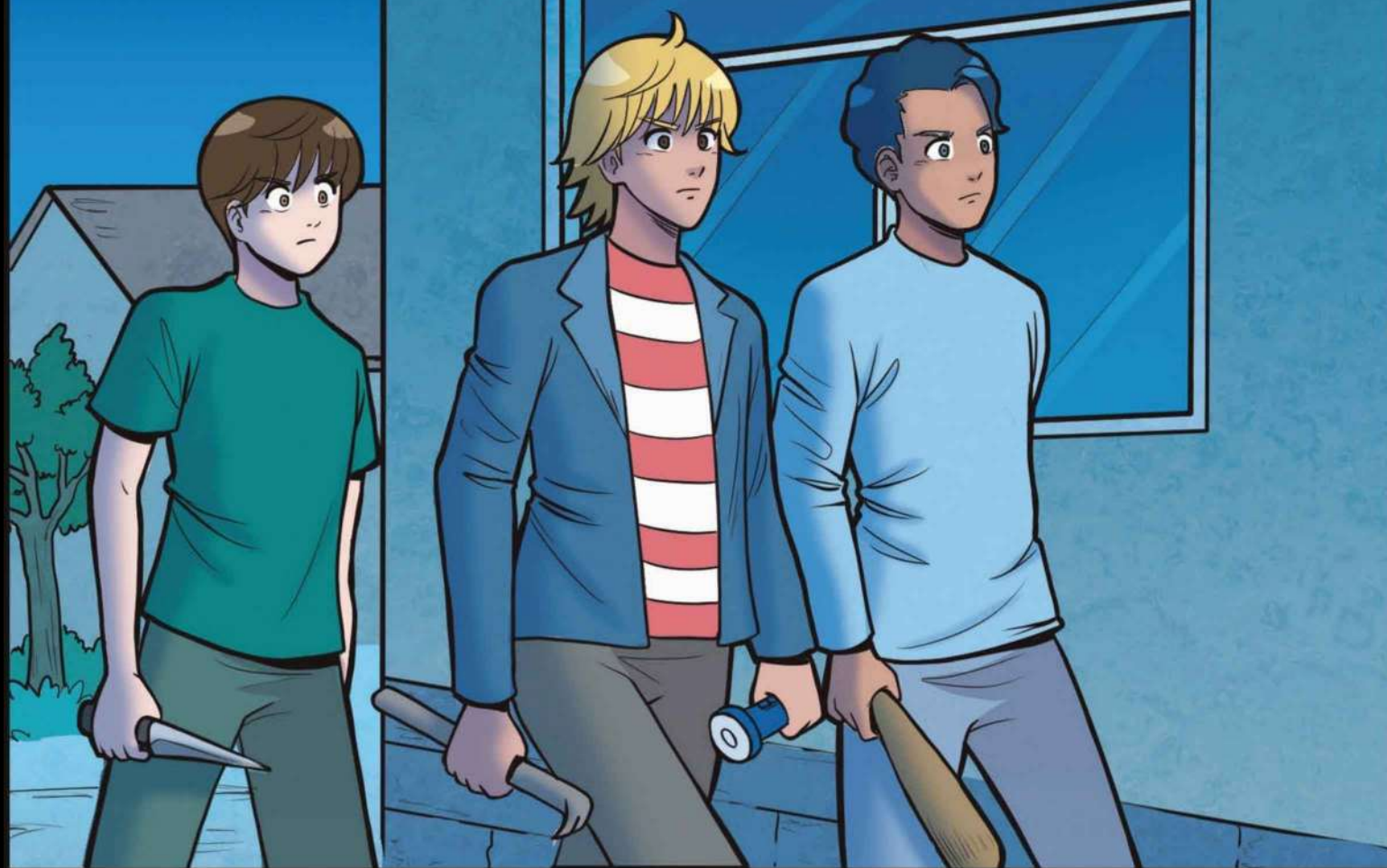
I WANT TO  
GO BACK TO THE  
RESTAURANT.



I TOLD THEM ABOUT  
THE DOG. THEY WERE  
SKEPTICAL . . .

. . . UNTIL I  
SHOWED IT TO THEM.

NOW  
WE'RE  
HERE.



WE'RE  
GONNA  
DIE.

SHH!  
WE'RE NOT  
GONNA  
DIE!

NOW TO CONVINCE  
MY SOMERSAULTING  
STOMACH.





DO WE HAVE A PLAN?

I THINK WE SHOULD START BY FINDING FETCH.



SO, I FOUND OUT SOMETHING ABOUT THE RESTAURANT.

WHAT?

THIS WAS PART OF A PIZZA CHAIN THAT ...  
... CLOSED DOWN AFTER SOMETHING HAPPENED AT ONE OF THEM.



WHAT HAPPENED?

I DON'T KNOW. IT TOOK A LOT OF TIME TO EVEN FIND WHAT I FOUND. I JUST FOUND A REFERENCE TO IT ON A MESSAGE BOARD FOR PEOPLE WHO LIKE TO EXPLORE ABANDONED PLACES—



LOOK.

WHAT THE ...

YOU DID TURN IT ON.

YEAH, WAY TO GO, DUDE—

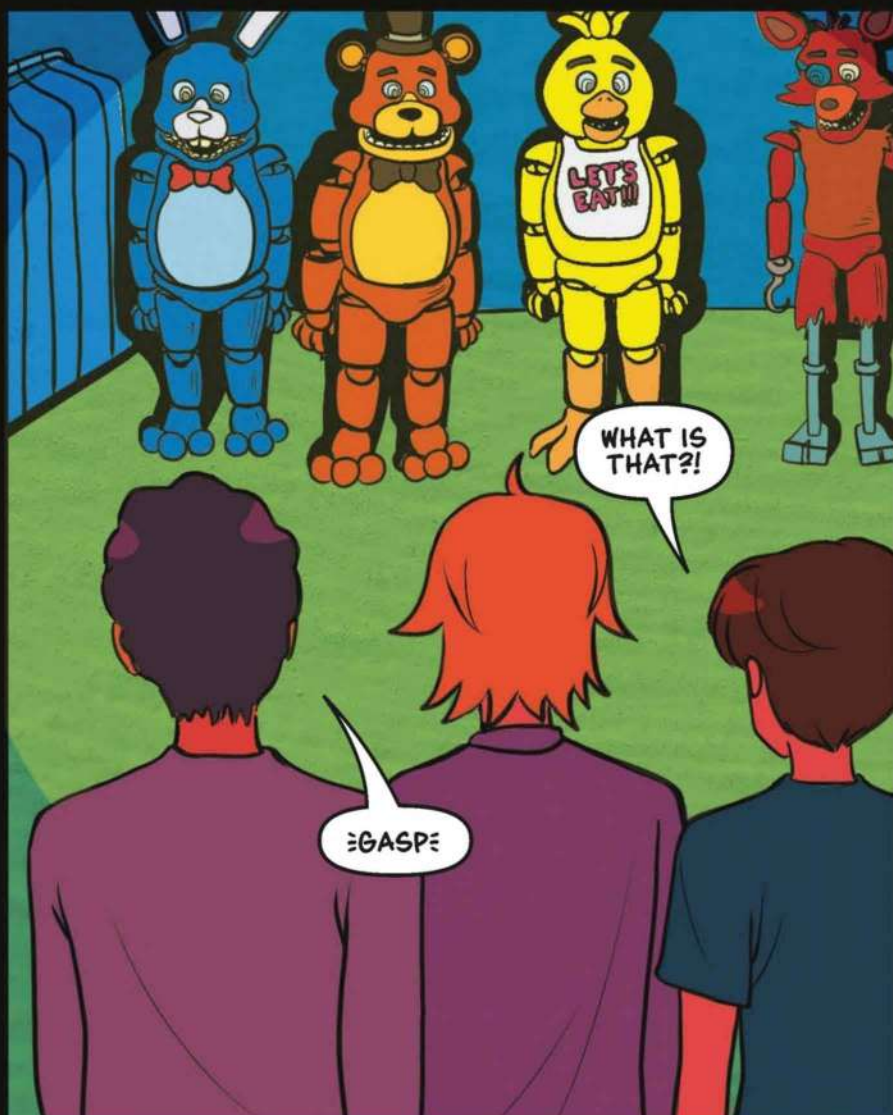
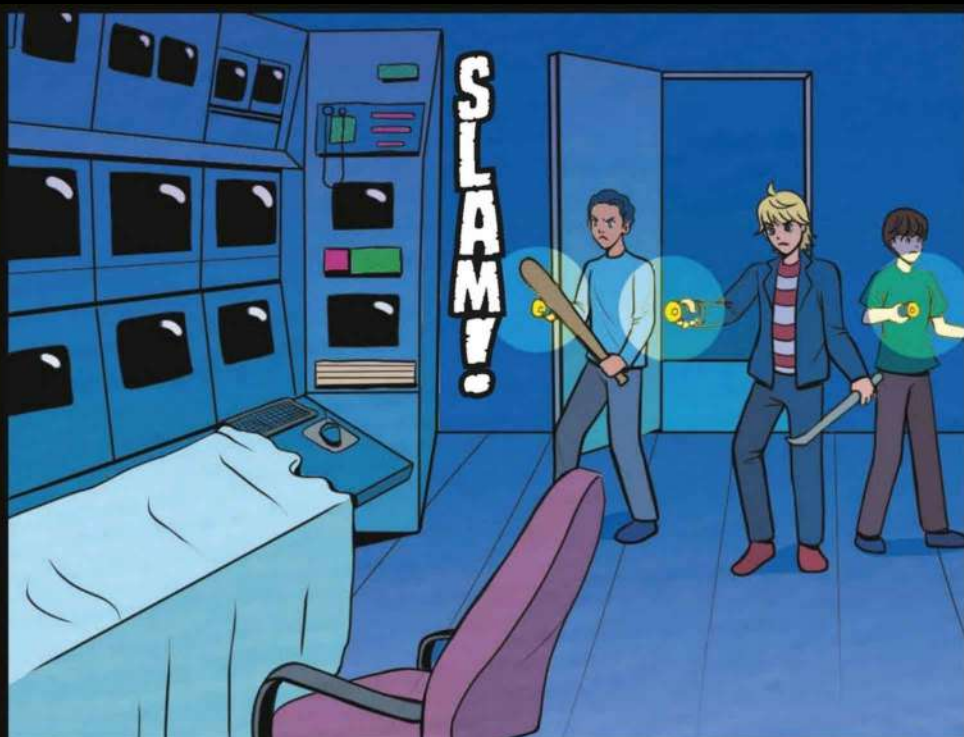


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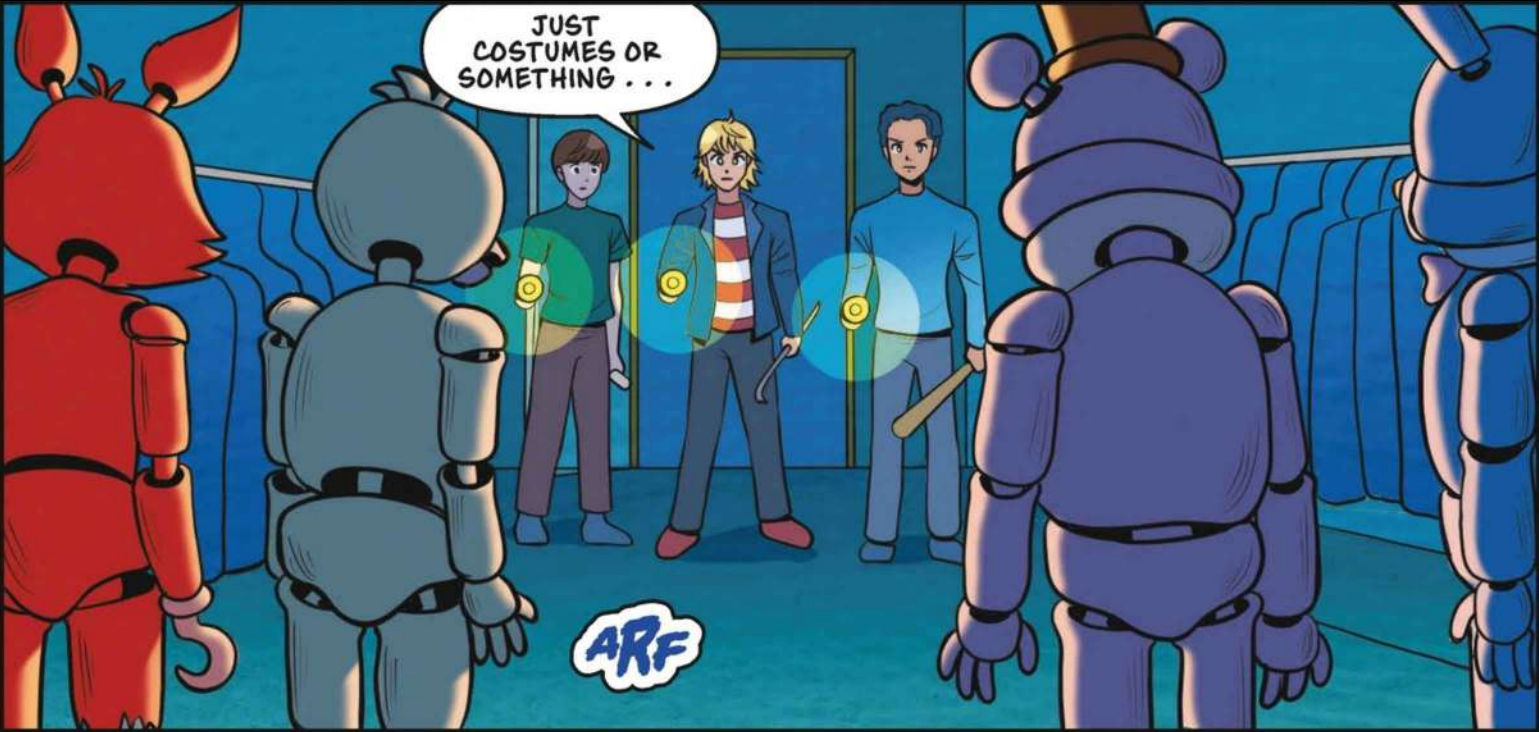
WHAT WAS THAT?!

WE NEED TO SEE WHAT'S IN THOSE ROOMS ...





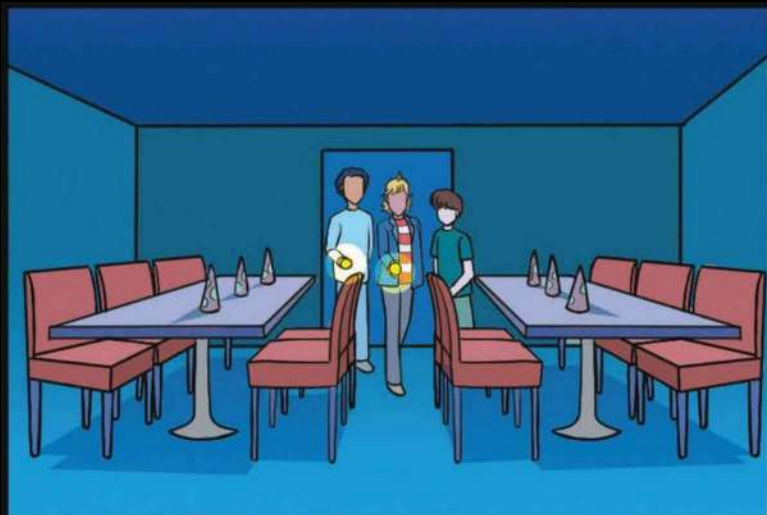












FETCH IS GONE.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?



I'M NOT SURE...

WHAT IF YOU TEXT HIM TO STOP?

TRIED THAT AFTER THE SPIDER THING. DIDN'T WORK.

COULD YOU GIVE HIM AN IMPOSSIBLE TASK? SOMETHING THAT WOULD OCCUPY HIS TIME FOREVER?



LIKE WHAT?

I DON'T KNOW, I'M JUST TRYING TO FIND AN EASY-



THERE IS NO EASY SOLUTION!

I JUST NEED TIME TO THINK...





NOBODY HAS ANY IDEAS AFTER THAT. NOBODY EVEN TALKS AT ALL. WE ALL JUST GO HOME.

I UNDERSTAND. WHO WOULD WANT TO TALK ABOUT THIS?



MOM AND DAD AREN'T HOME, AS USUAL. NOT THAT I WANT TO TALK TO THEM, EITHER.



WHERE IS FETCH?

I KNOW HE HAS TO LEAVE THE RESTAURANT TO DO THESE THINGS, BUT I JUST ASSUMED HE WENT BACK WHEN HE WAS DONE.



THE IDEA THAT HE'S JUST OUT THERE, SOMEWHERE, LURKING . . .



H2CUS

YEAH, WELL, I DON'T HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON.





I'M NOT GOING TO ASK ANY MORE QUESTIONS ABOUT FETCH.



I'M JUST GOING TO FOCUS MY INTENTIONS ON NOTHING.



I WANT NOTHING.



FETCH DOESN'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING.



I WANT NOTHING.



FETCH DOESN'T NEED TO DO ANYTHING.

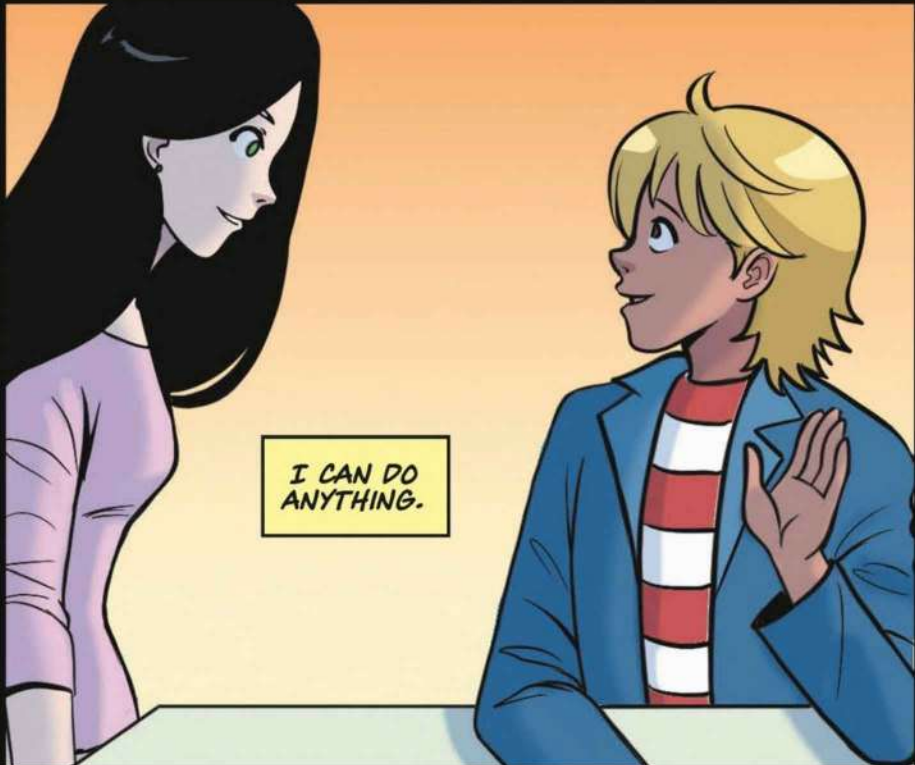
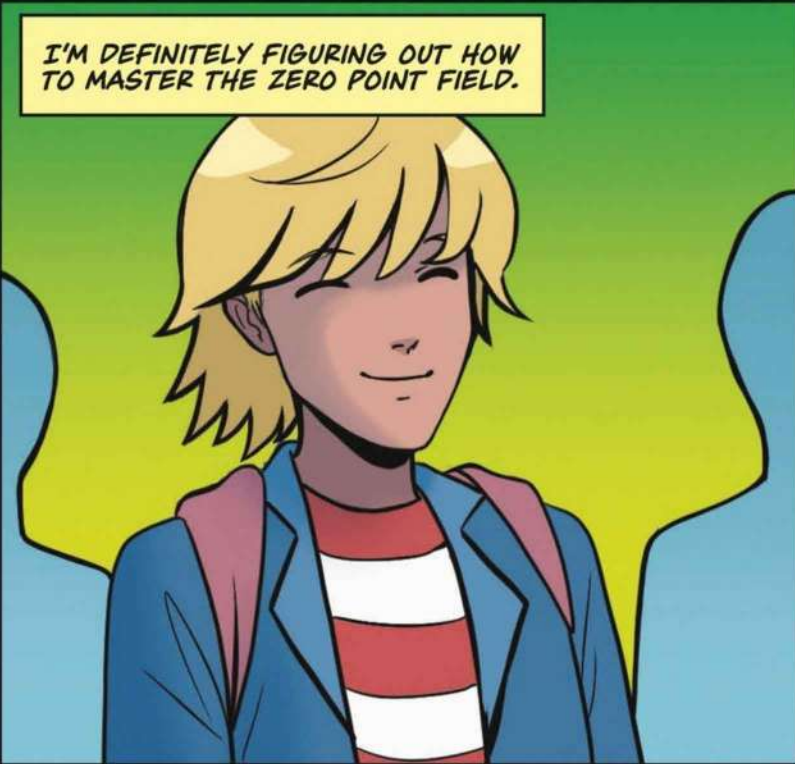
I WANT NOTHING . . .



NOTHING.

THIS MIGHT BE WORKING.









YOUR  
ASSIGNMENT  
WITH THESE LITTLE  
MACHINES . . .



. . . IS TO  
ATTEMPT TO  
CONTROL THEM  
WITH YOUR  
MINDS.



FOCUS YOUR WILL ON  
ZEROES OR ONES, RECORD  
YOUR RESULTS, AND THEN  
WRITE A PAPER WITH YOUR  
PARTNER ON HOW SOME  
ASPECT OF REG RESEARCH  
HAS IMPACTED SOCIETY.

GREG?  
GREG?  
ARE YOU  
LISTENING?



HMM?!  
WHAT?



I SAID I  
THINK WE  
SHOULD WRITE  
ABOUT HOW REGS  
INFLUENCE WORLD  
DISASTERS.

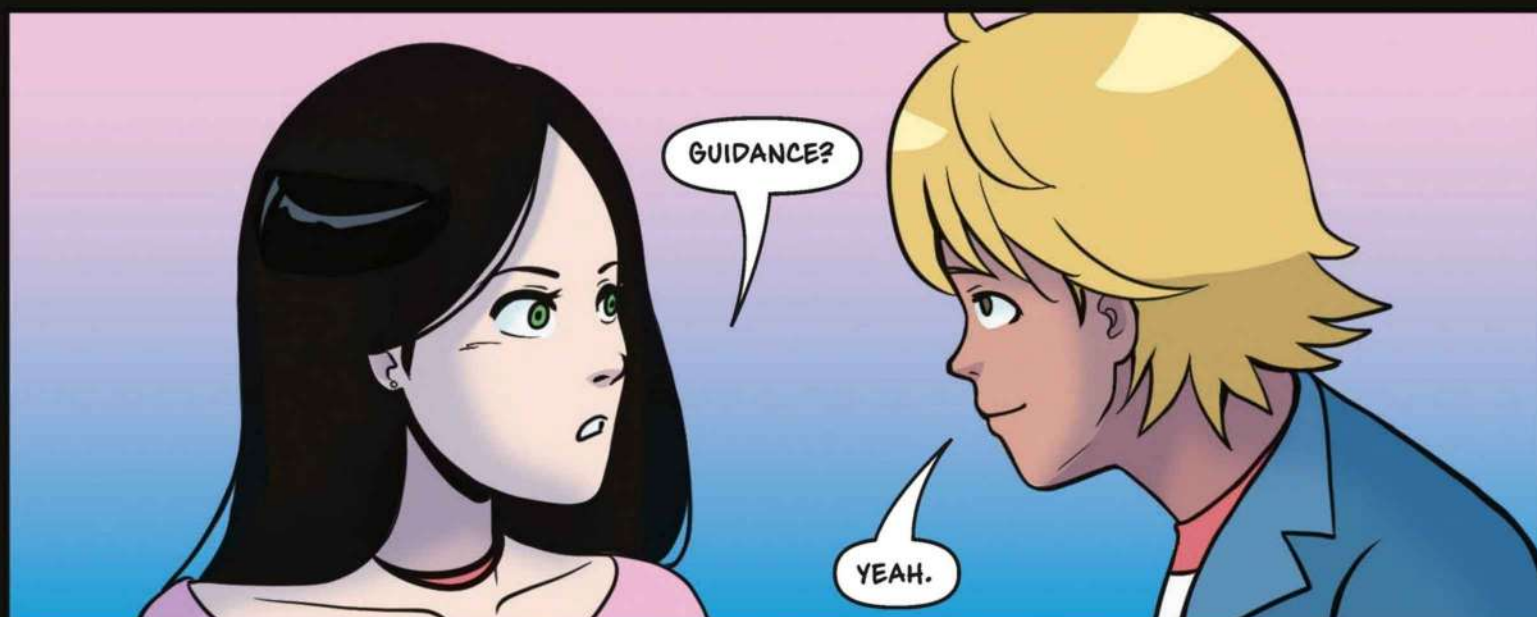
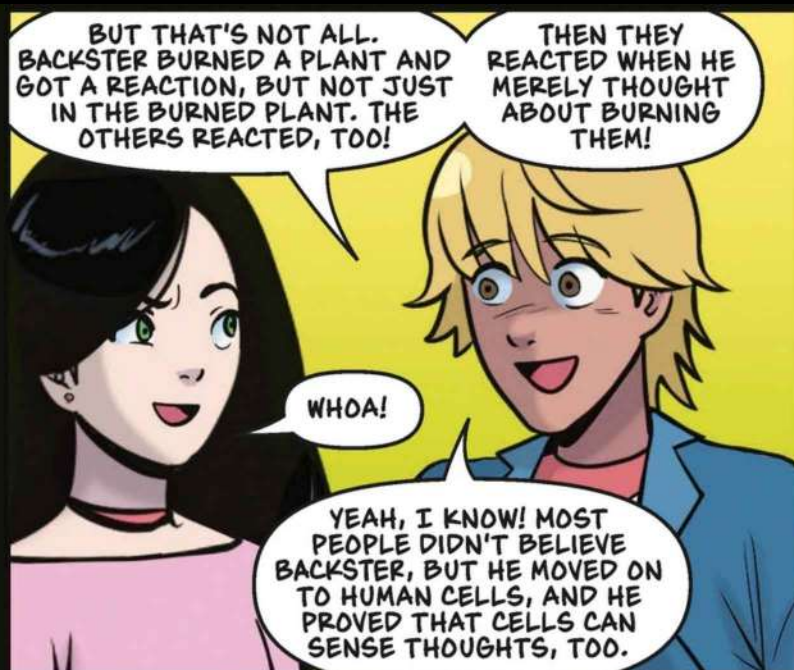
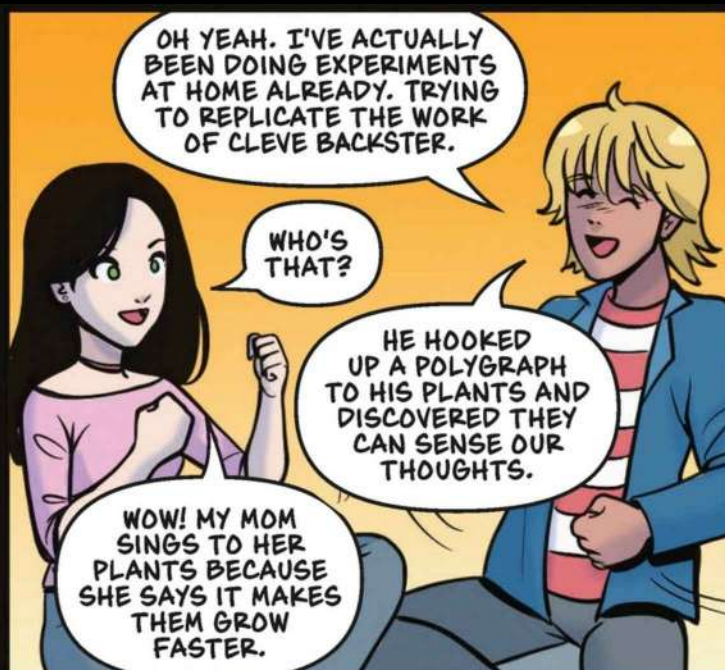


SHE'S INTO THIS STUFF,  
TOO?! IF I WASN'T IN  
LOVE BEFORE, I AM NOW.

YEAH . . .  
THAT'S  
PERFECT.

DO  
YOU KNOW  
ABOUT  
IT?

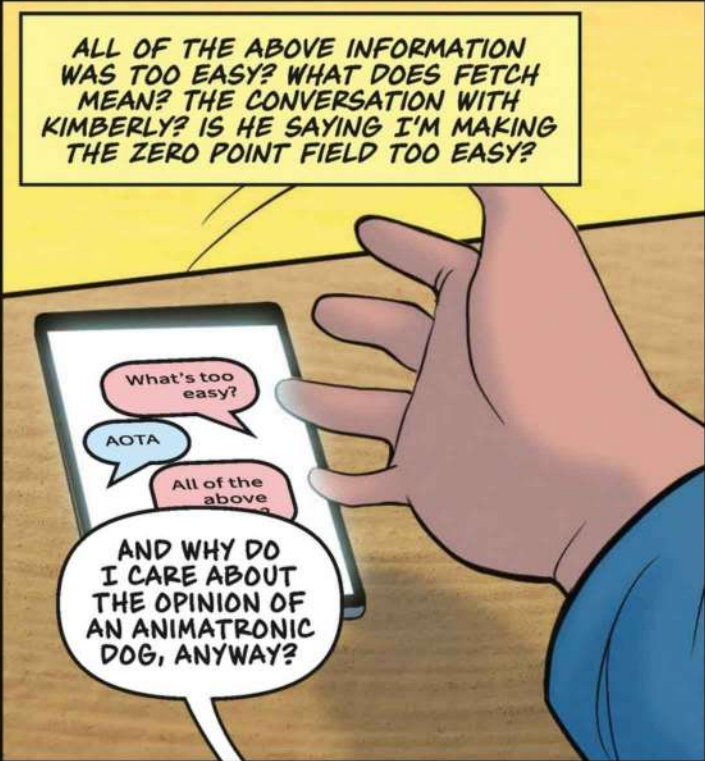














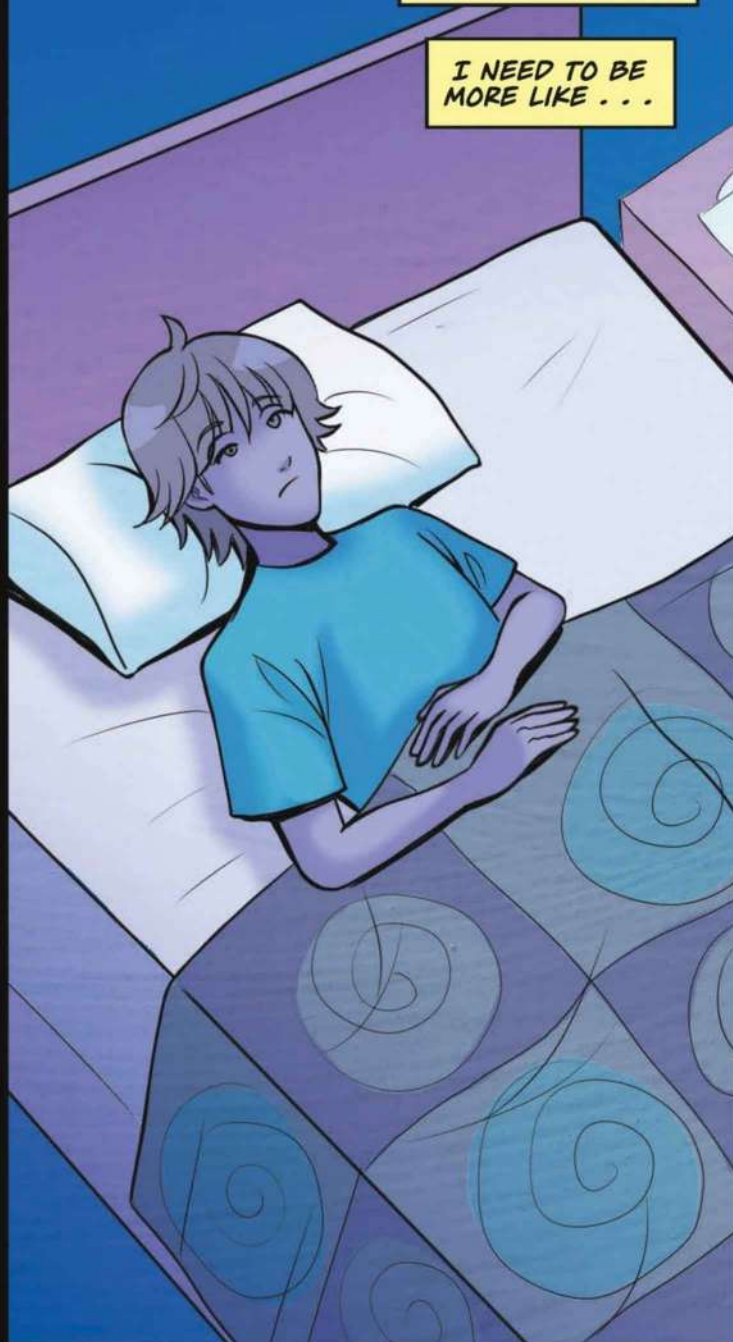
WHAT AM I GOING  
TO DO ABOUT FETCH?

KIMBERLY'S RIGHT.  
I DON'T UNDERSTAND  
ANY OF THIS.



LUCK, MONEY . . .  
LET'S BE REAL . . .

I NEED TO BE  
MORE LIKE . . .



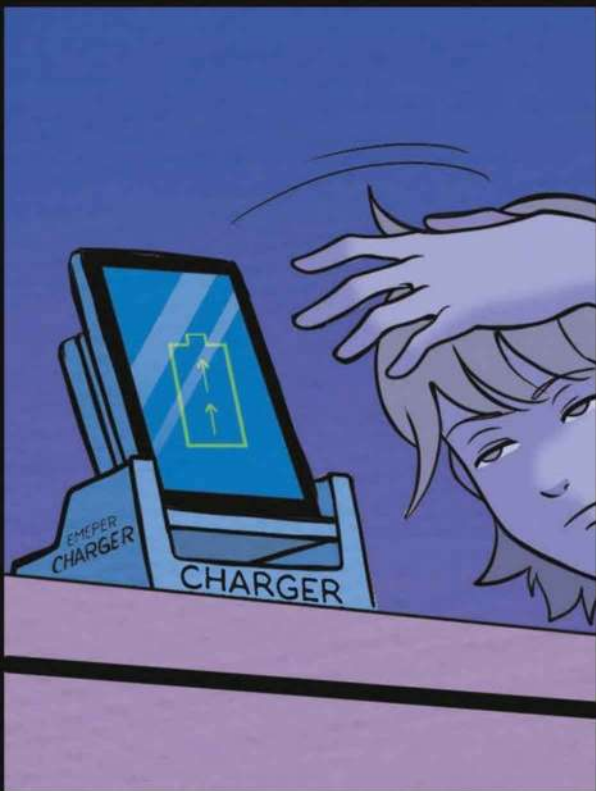
IF I HAD MORE LUCK, OR MORE CONTROL OVER  
THE ZERO POINT FIELD, OR MONEY FOR MORE  
EXPERIMENTS, I'D HAVE MORE OPTIONS.



. . . UNCLE DARE . . .











IDIOT!!!



Ringing...  
Ringing...

COME ON,  
DARE... PICK  
UP, PICK UP,  
PICK UP...

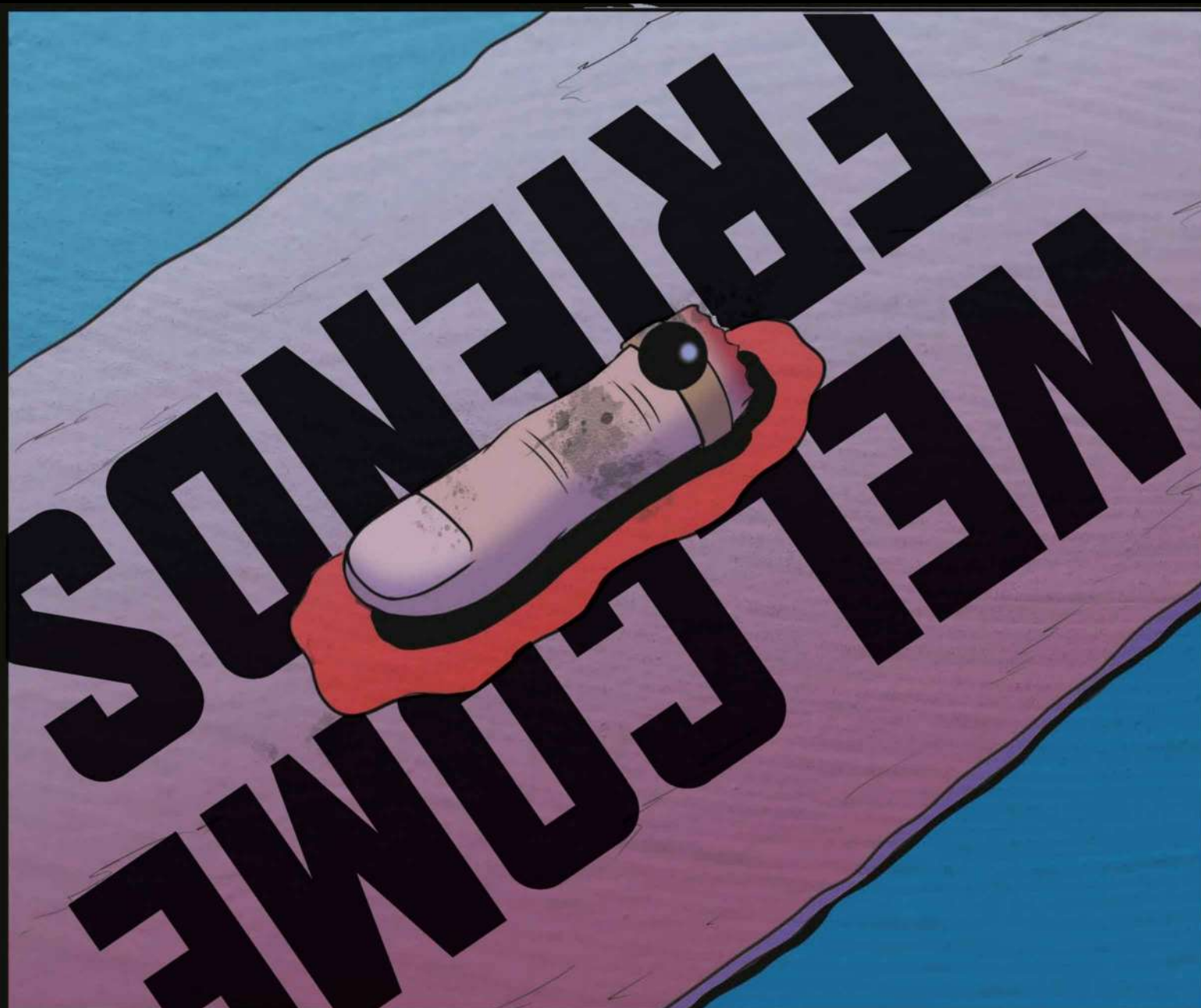
YOU'VE REACHED  
DARRIN. I CAN'T  
ANSWER THE PHONE  
RIGHT NOW-



I HAVE TO GET TO  
DARE. AND I CAN'T  
ASK MY PARENTS  
FOR A RIDE.

MAYBE MRS. PETERS.  
IT'S THE MIDDLE OF THE  
NIGHT, BUT SHE'S ALWAYS  
BEEN NICE TO ME, DESPITE  
THAT DOG OF HERS...

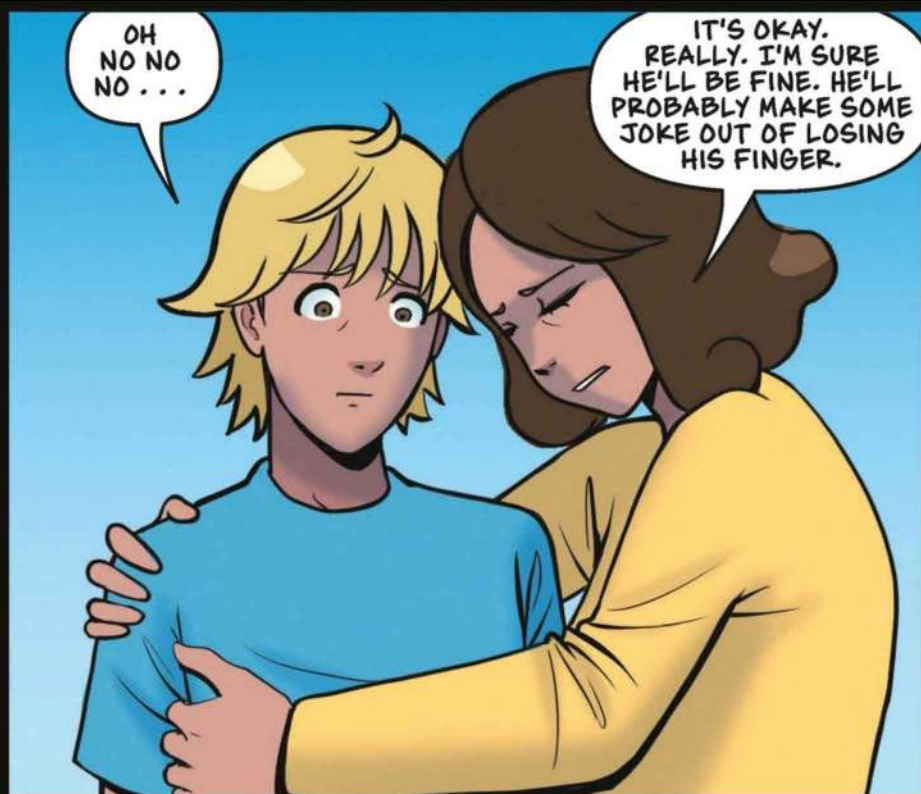




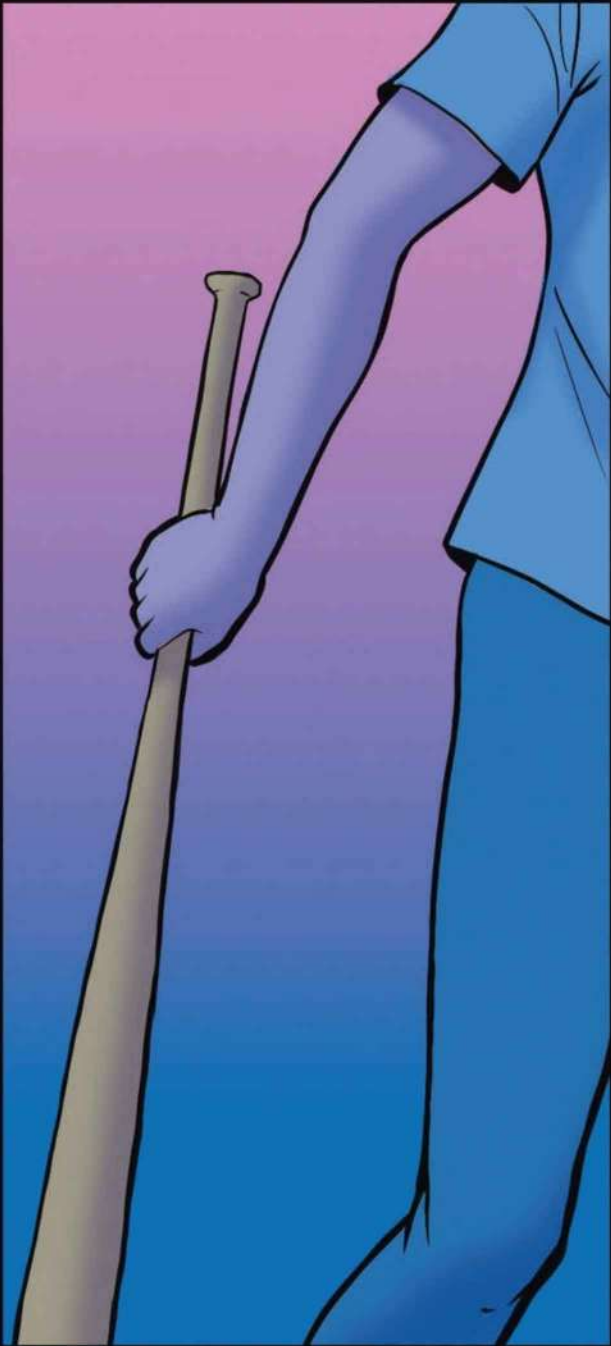
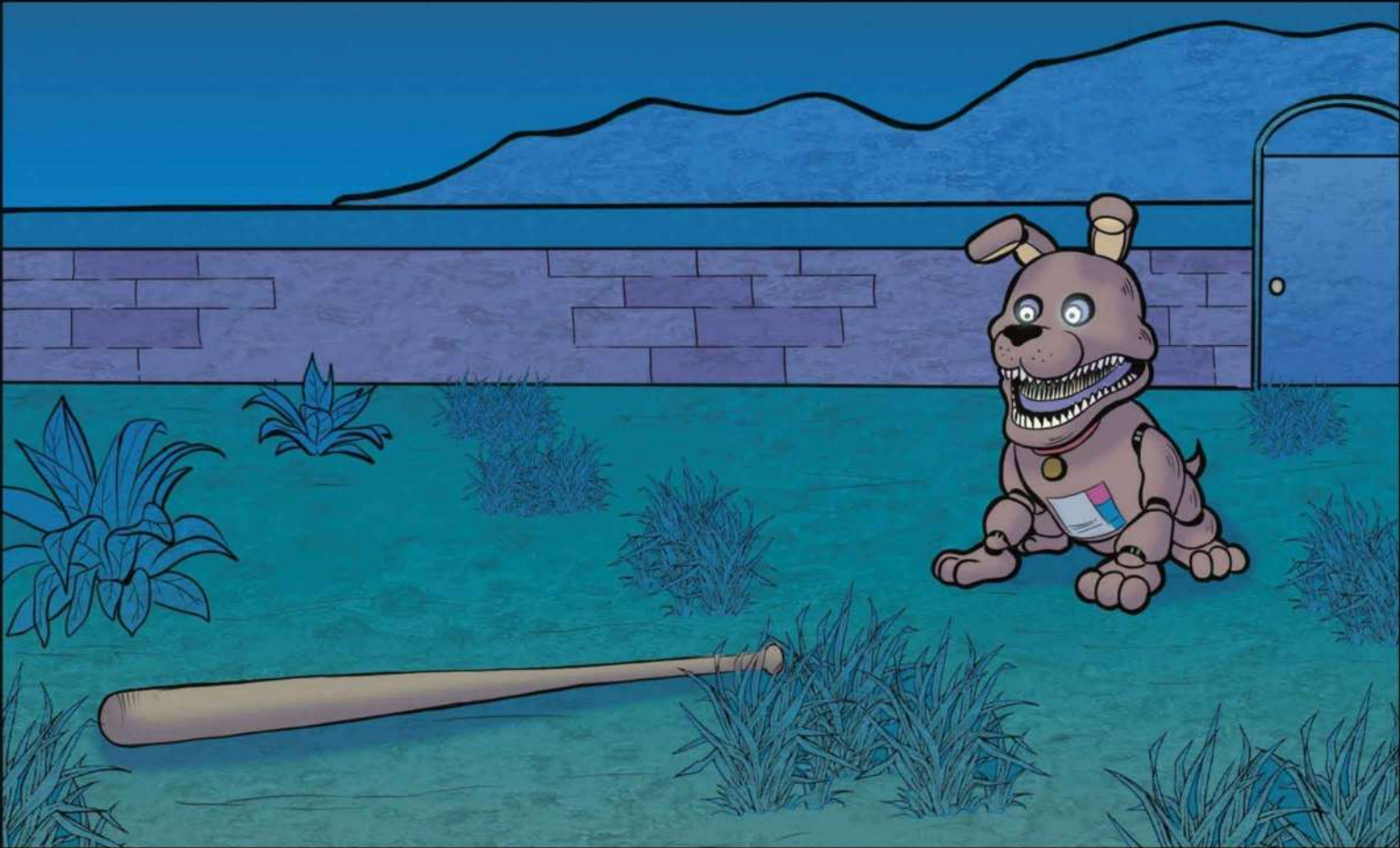








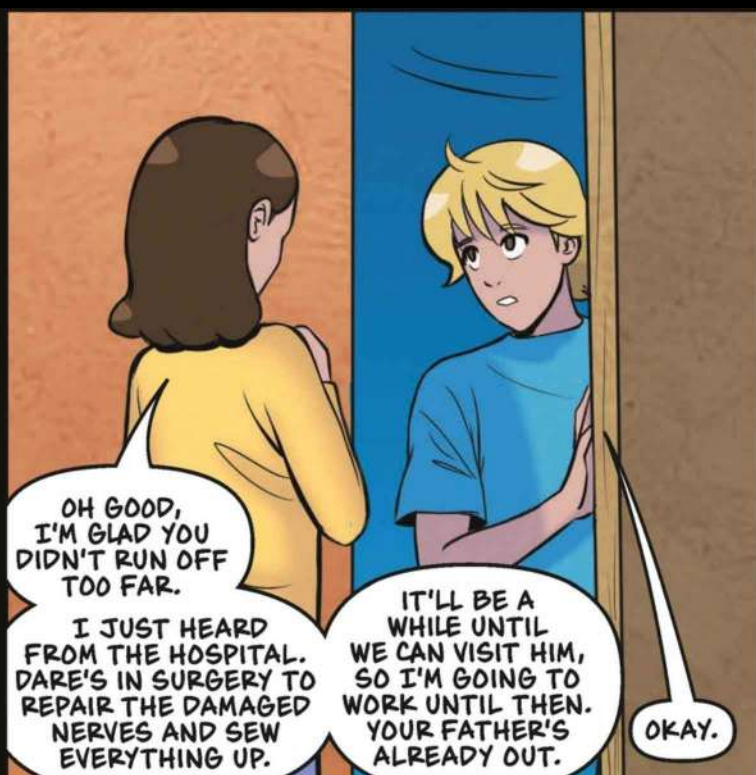




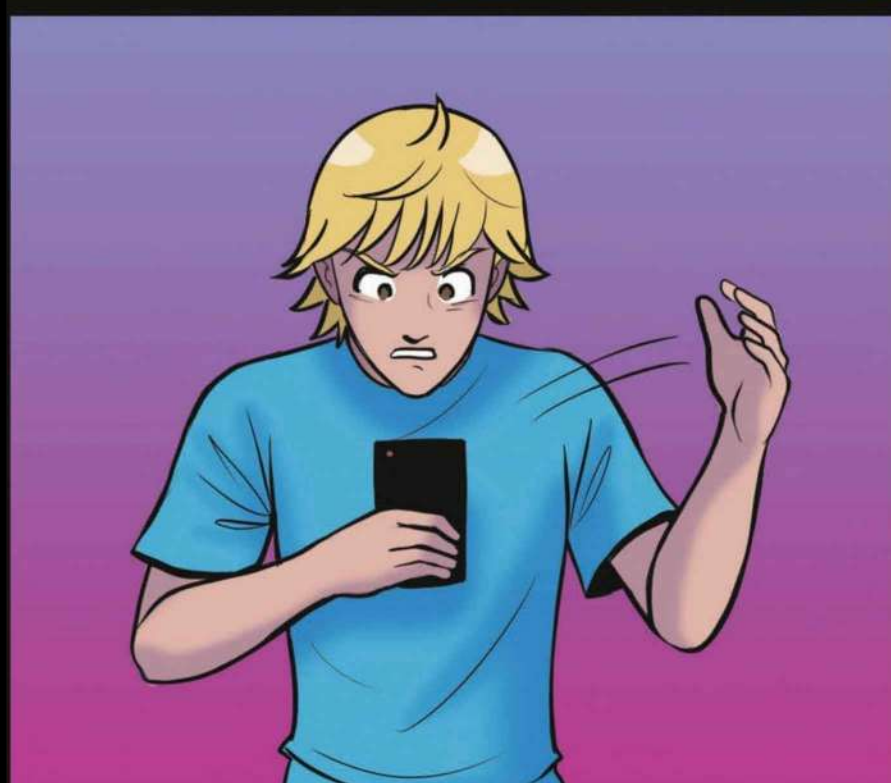
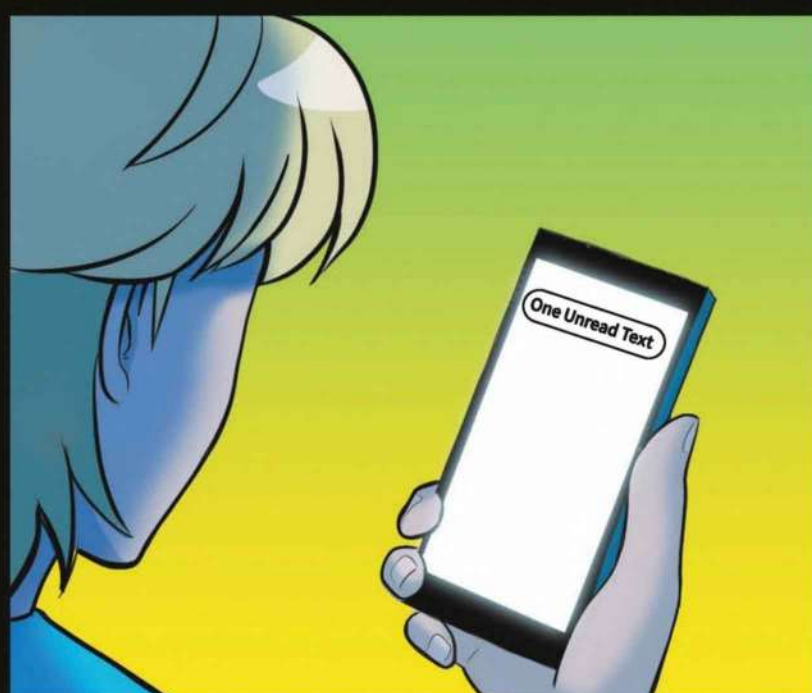
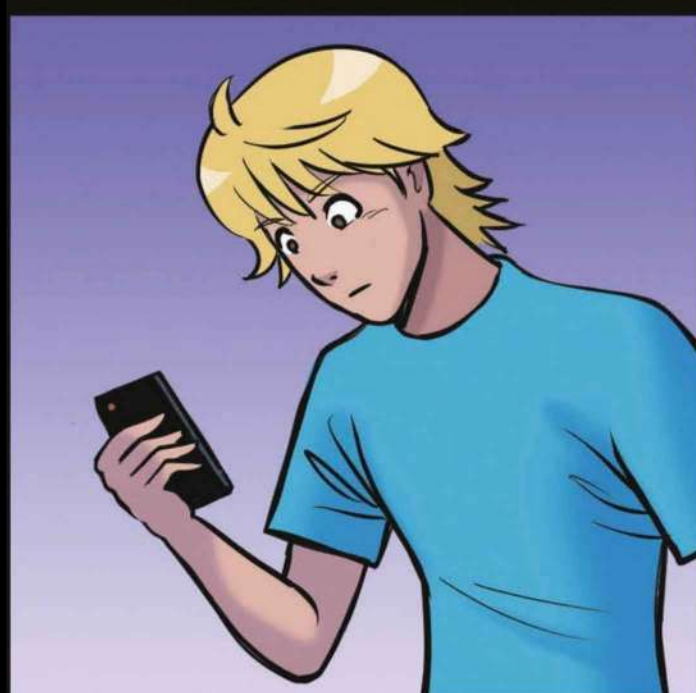








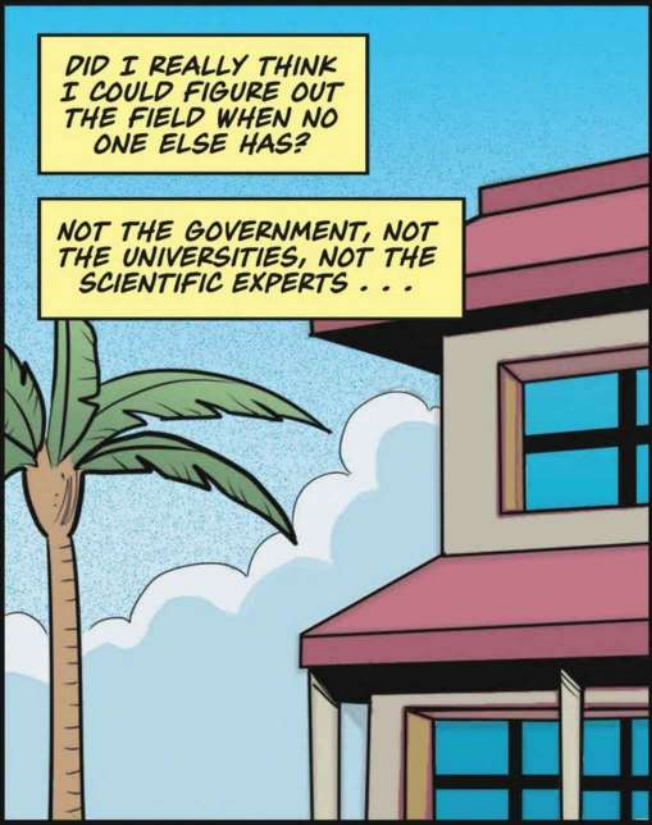












DID I REALLY THINK I COULD FIGURE OUT THE FIELD WHEN NO ONE ELSE HAS?

NOT THE GOVERNMENT, NOT THE UNIVERSITIES, NOT THE SCIENTIFIC EXPERTS . . .



I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING. WAS I REALLY GUIDED TO THAT RESTAURANT? OR DID I JUST COME UP WITH THAT LAME IDEA MYSELF?

≡NFF≡  
WHAT A COMPLETE TOOL I AM . . .



RING!

AH!



CALM DOWN. FETCH DOESN'T CALL. FETCH TEXTS.

HELLO?

HEY, DUDE, YOU OKAY? YOU WEREN'T AT SCHOOL.



HEY, HADI. SOMETHING HAPPENED TO DARE. IT'S, UH- IT WAS BAD.

DUDE, I'M SORRY. CAN WE DO ANYTHING?

NOT UNLESS YOU'RE CAPABLE OF MAGIC.



IT'S NOT MAGIC, BUT YOU MIGHT LIKE TO KNOW THAT KIMBERLY WAS LOOKING FOR YOU JUST NOW.

HEH.  
YEAH . . . IT WOULD BE NICE TO SEE HER.























... HE  
MIGHT NOT.

I DON'T KNOW  
WHAT YOU WERE  
THINKING, BREAKING  
INTO THAT PIZZA PLACE,  
STALKING THAT POOR  
GIRL . . . WHAT INSANE  
GARBAGE WERE YOU  
YELLING WHEN THEY  
ARRESTED YOU?

KIMBERLY'S BODY  
COULD BE ON THE  
FRONT DOORMAT.

THE POLICE  
SAID YOU TOLD  
HER SOME ROBOT  
DOG WAS OUT TO  
KILL HER?

ARE  
YOU ON  
DRUGS?

WE'LL FIND  
OUT SOON.

ARE YOU  
LISTENING  
TO ME,  
GREG?!







NOTHING  
NEW FROM  
FETCH.



THAT'S  
GOOD,  
RIGHT?

I HAVE TO  
GET BACK TO  
KIMBERLY'S  
HOUSE.



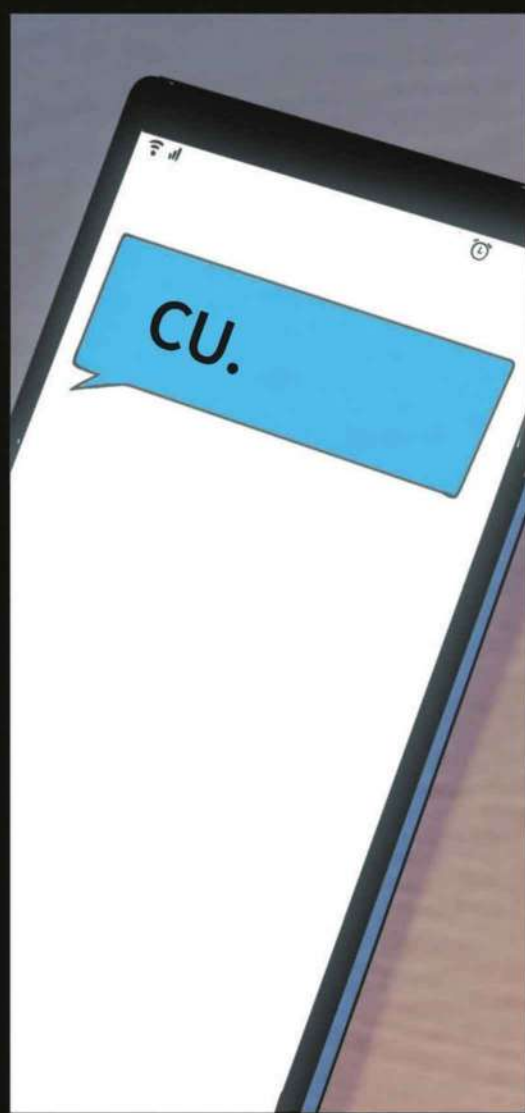
MOM AND DAD WILL  
BE ON HIGH ALERT  
UNTIL THEY GO TO  
SLEEP. THEN I'LL BE  
ABLE TO SNEAK OUT.



MAYBE I CAN  
GET IN A NAP  
BEFORE THEN.  
I'M WIPED OUT.



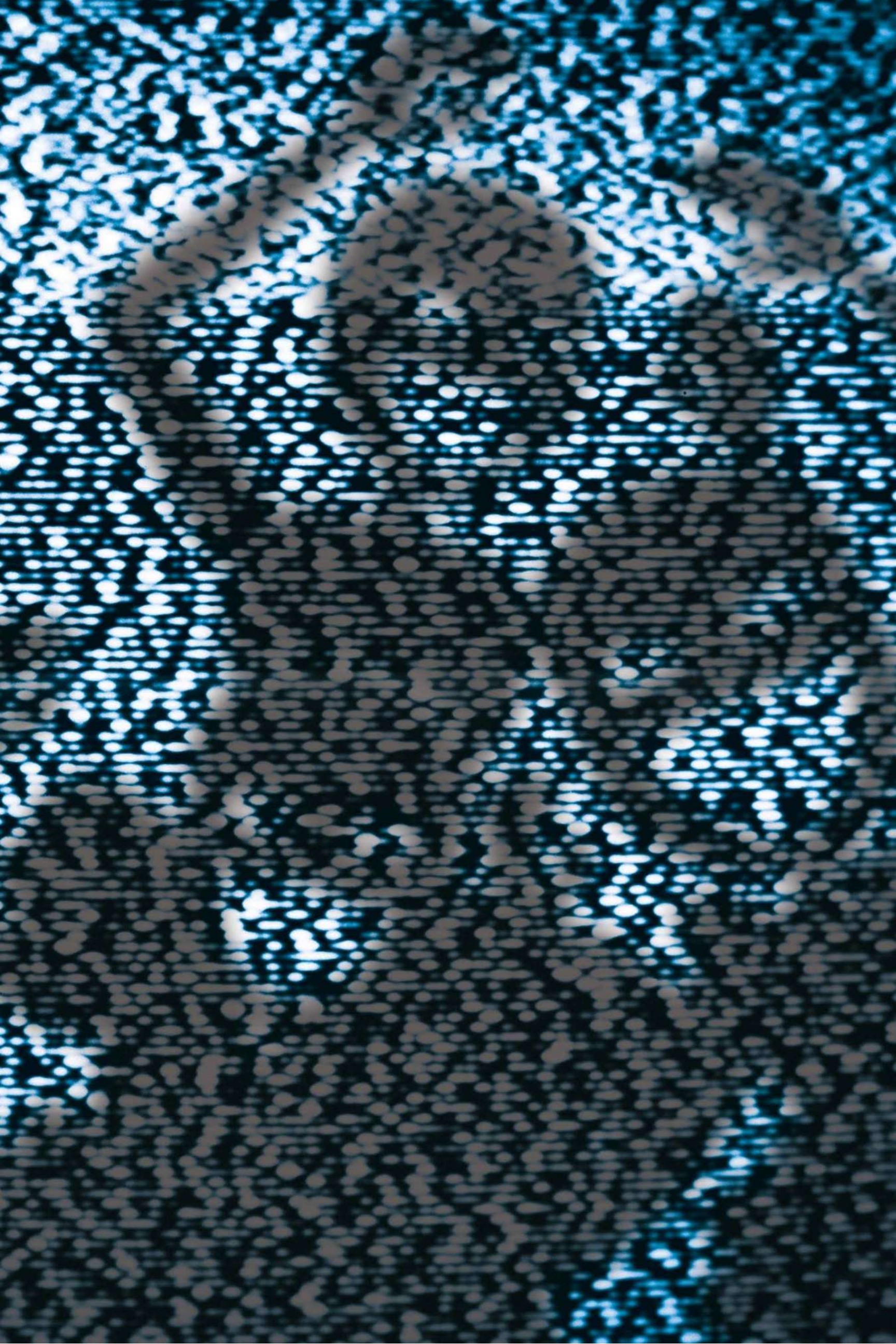




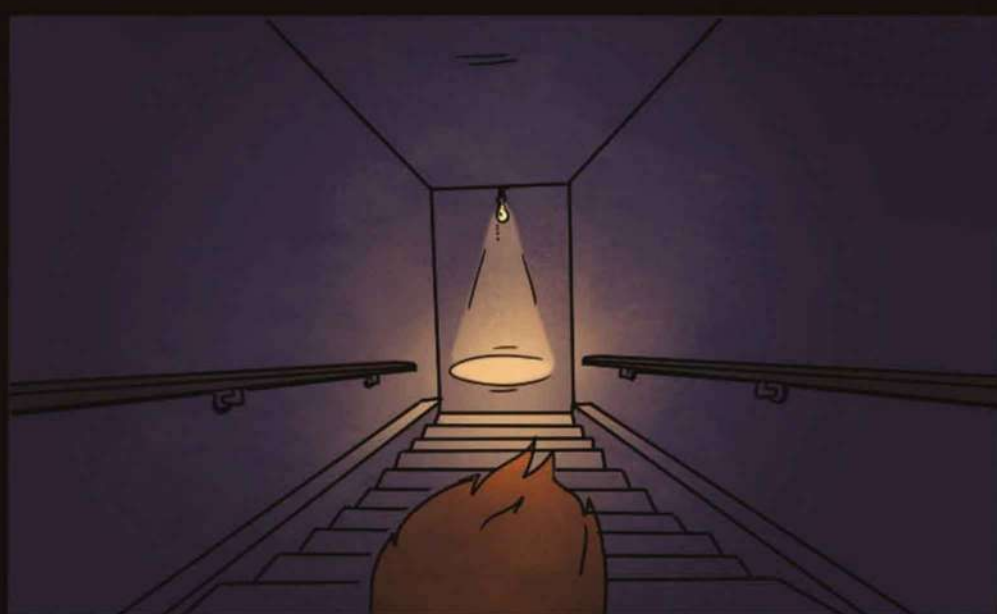


ROOM FOR  
ONE MORE













"IT'S NOT A DIFFICULT JOB."



"YOU SIT IN THE SECURITY OFFICE, WATCH THE BUILDING'S EXITS ON THE MONITORS, AND MAKE SURE NOTHING GETS OUT."



NOTHING GETS OUT? AT OTHER PLACES, I'VE ALWAYS WATCHED TO MAKE SURE NOBODY GETS IN.

WELL, THIS ISN'T OTHER JOBS-I THINK YOU'LL FIND IT'S QUITE EASY. WHEN CAN YOU START?

UH, RIGHT AWAY.



EXCELLENT. WE'VE HAD A SUDDEN VACANCY. THE PRIOR SECURITY GUARD . . .  
. . . SUFFERED A MASSIVE HEART ATTACK. VERY UNFORTUNATE.



OH, I'M SO SORRY.

WE NEVER KNOW HOW MUCH TIME WE'RE GIVEN, DO WE?







... AND I SWEAR I HAD TO ARGUE WITH THIS CUSTOMER FOR A FULL HALF HOUR. BUT I FINALLY CONVINCED HER THAT JUST BECAUSE THEY "TURN OUT THE SAME IN THE END" ...

... SHE CAN'T USE A COUPON FOR A FROZEN PIZZA TO BUY DOUGH, SAUCE, MOZZARELLA, AND FRESH SAUSAGE ...

HA HA HA, AH, THAT'S GREAT.



... AND THEN LATER, I THOUGHT I SAW SOMETHING ON THE COMPUTER MONITOR AT WORK ...

... BUT IT WAS JUST DIRT.

WOW ...











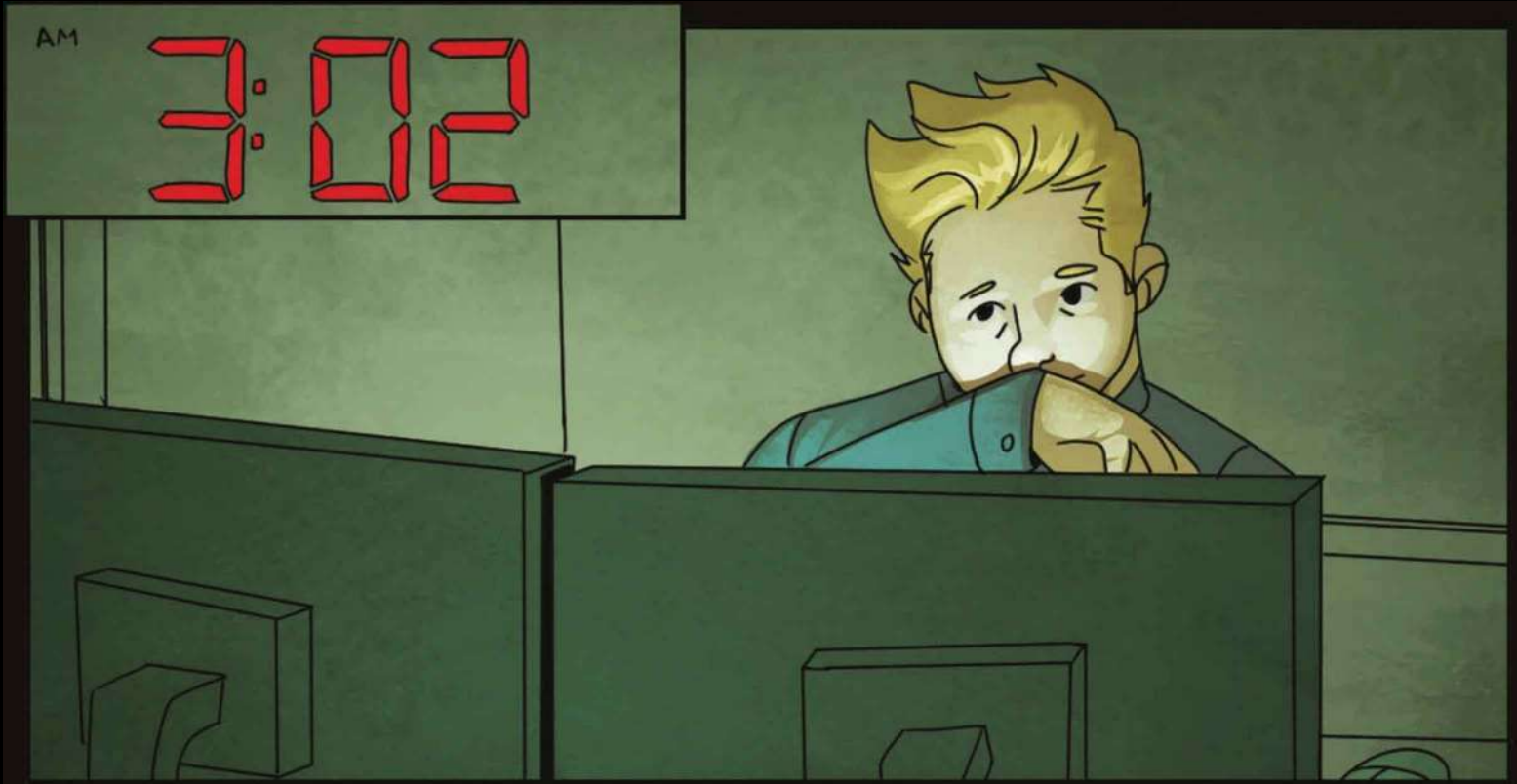




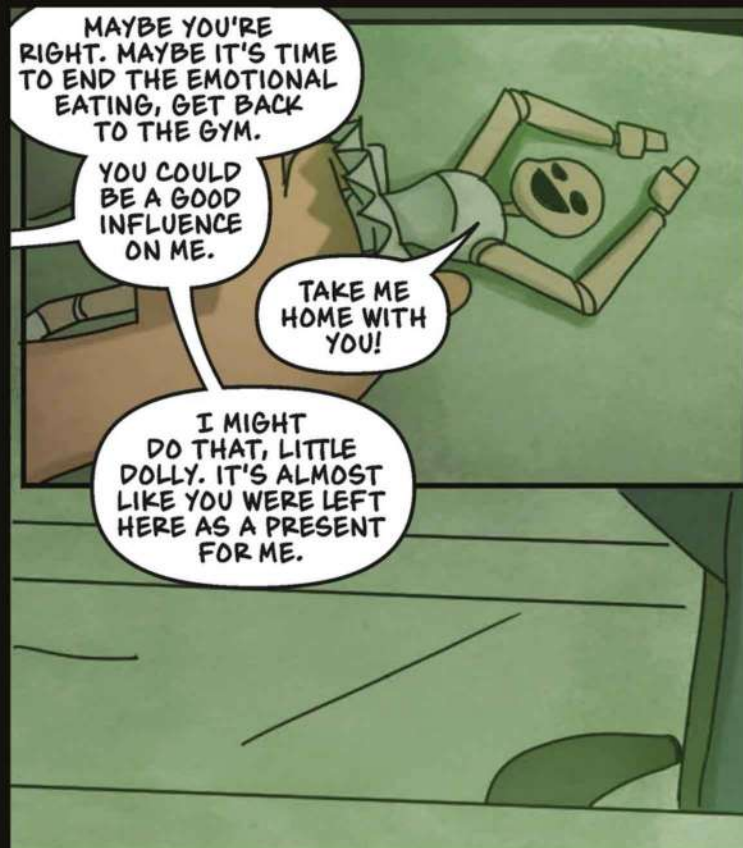
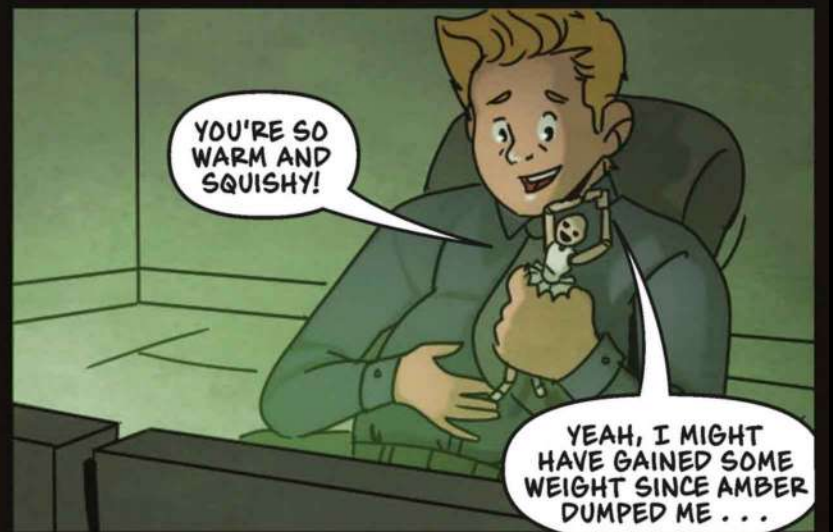
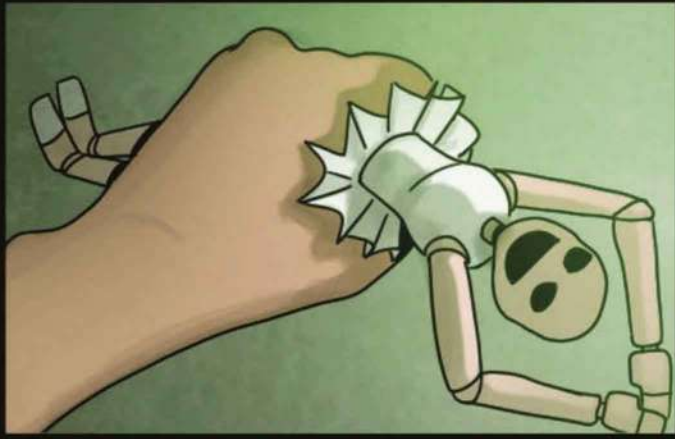








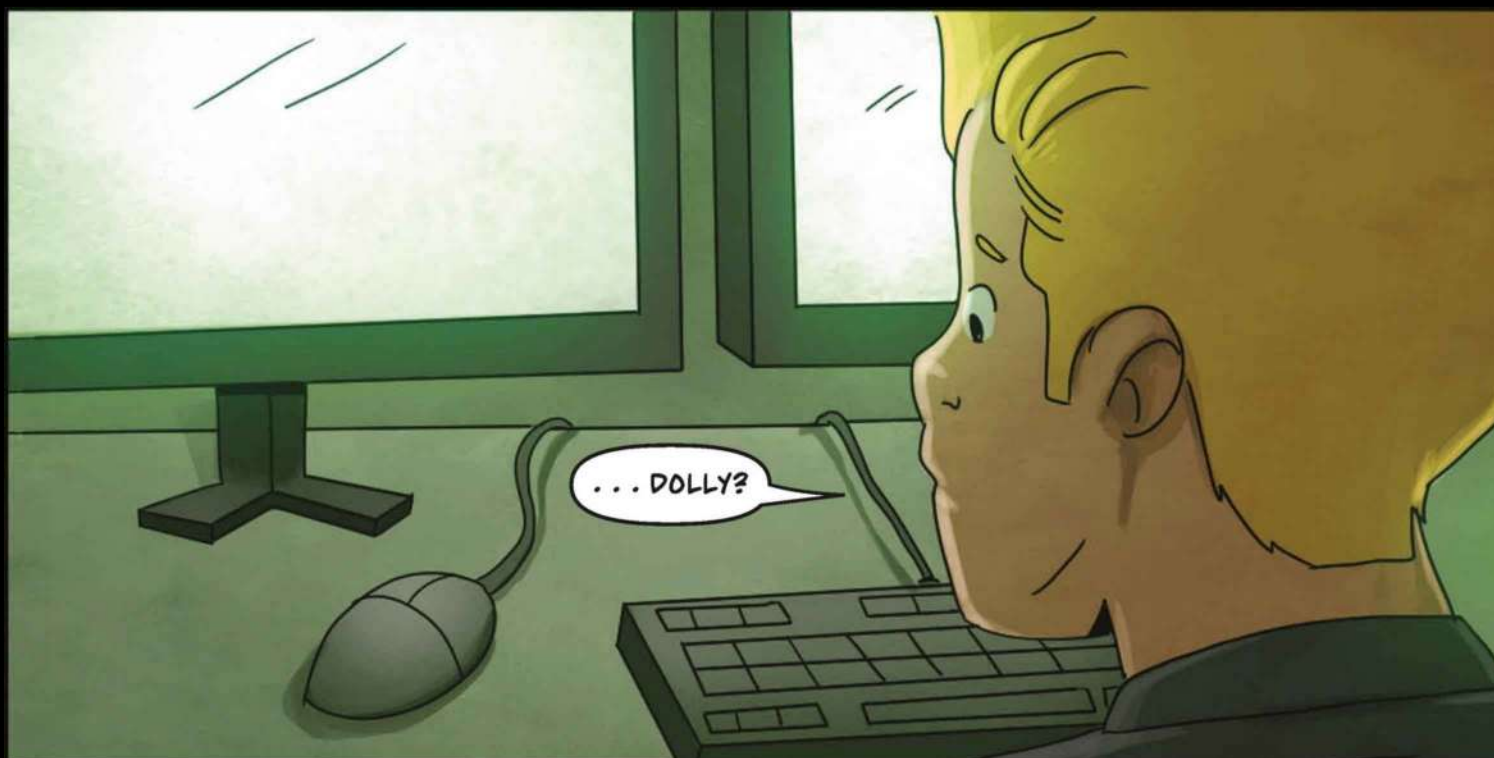




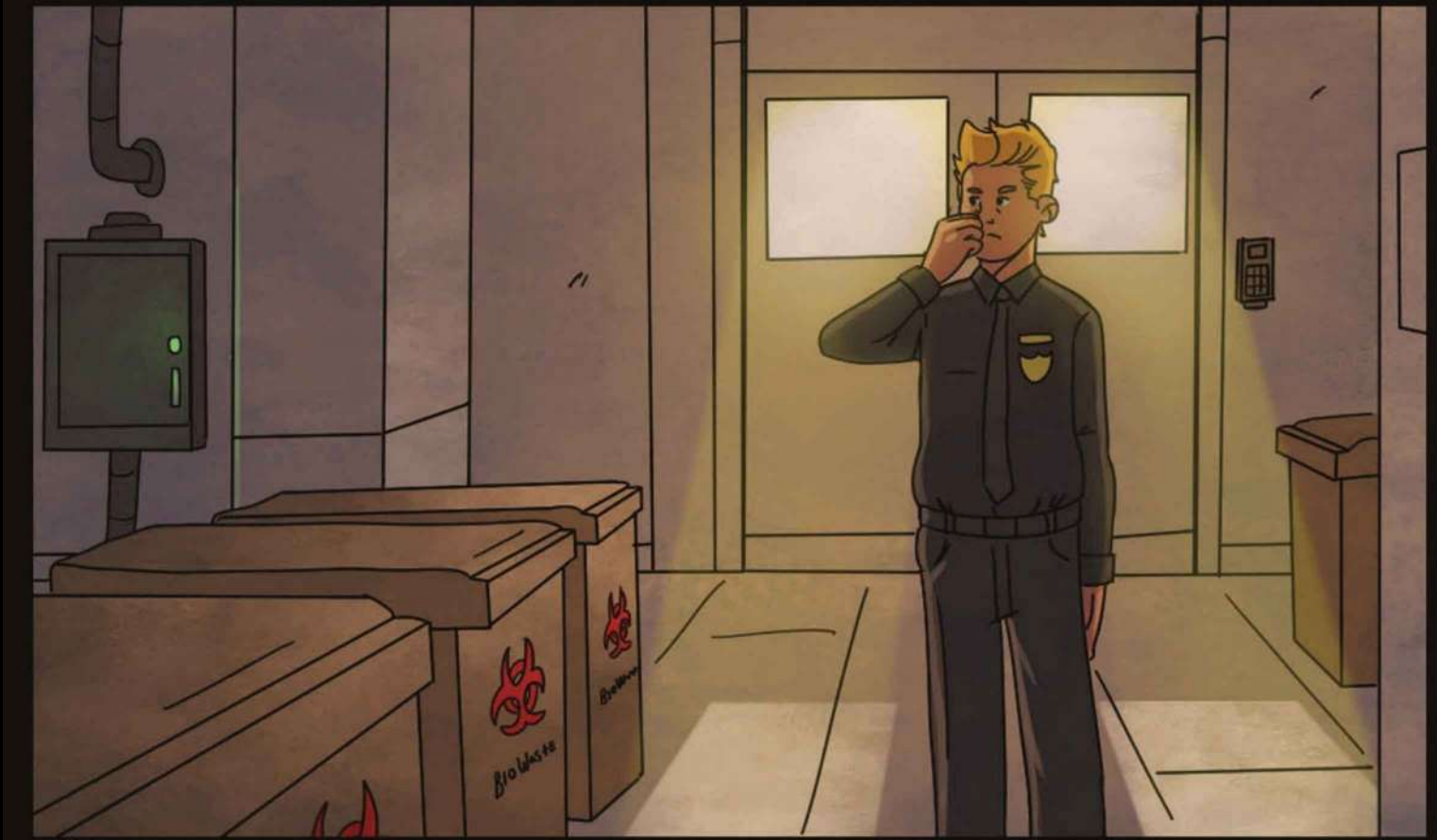
















MORNING, STANLEY! YOU WANT THE USUAL?



ACTUALLY, I THINK I MIGHT TAKE A LOOK AT A MENU TODAY, KATIE.

CHANGING IT UP THIS MORNING, ARE WE?



I THOUGHT I MIGHT GO FOR SOMETHING HEALTHIER FOR ONCE.

MUSHROOM EGG-WHITE OMELET WITH THE TURKEY SAUSAGE AND WHOLE-WHEAT TOAST.



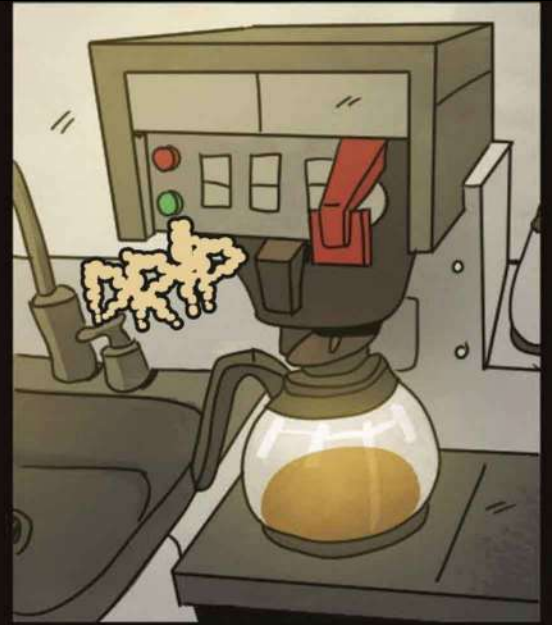
A DIET, EH? I'M IMPRESSED.

I'M THINKING ABOUT IT...



DON'T WANT TO TURN OUT LIKE THAT, AFTER ALL...





HEALTHY STUFF DOESN'T TASTE AS GOOD?

IT'S GOOD. MY THROAT'S JUST REALLY SORE. MAKES IT HARD TO EAT.

THERE ARE ALL KIND OF BUGS GOING AROUND...



"... I HOPE YOU'RE NOT COMING DOWN WITH SOMETHING."





















≡GAAAAAASP≡



YOU AGAIN?  
WHERE DID YOU COME  
FROM? IS SOMEBODY  
PLAYING A GAME  
WITH ME?



WE  
LIKE  
YOU.

I LIKE  
YOU, TOO,  
LITTLE DOLLY.  
I'M NOT SURE  
WHY, BUT  
I DO.

TAKE ME  
HOME WITH  
YOU.

WELL, I  
WAS GOING  
TO YESTERDAY,  
BUT WHEN I WOKE  
UP, YOU WERE  
GONE.



BUT NOW I DON'T KNOW.  
MAYBE YOU BELONG TO THE  
KID OF SOMEBODY ELSE  
THAT WORKS HERE. I DON'T  
WANT TO TAKE AWAY  
SOME KID'S TOY.

NOT THAT  
I'VE EVER SEEN  
ANOTHER PERSON  
HERE . . .

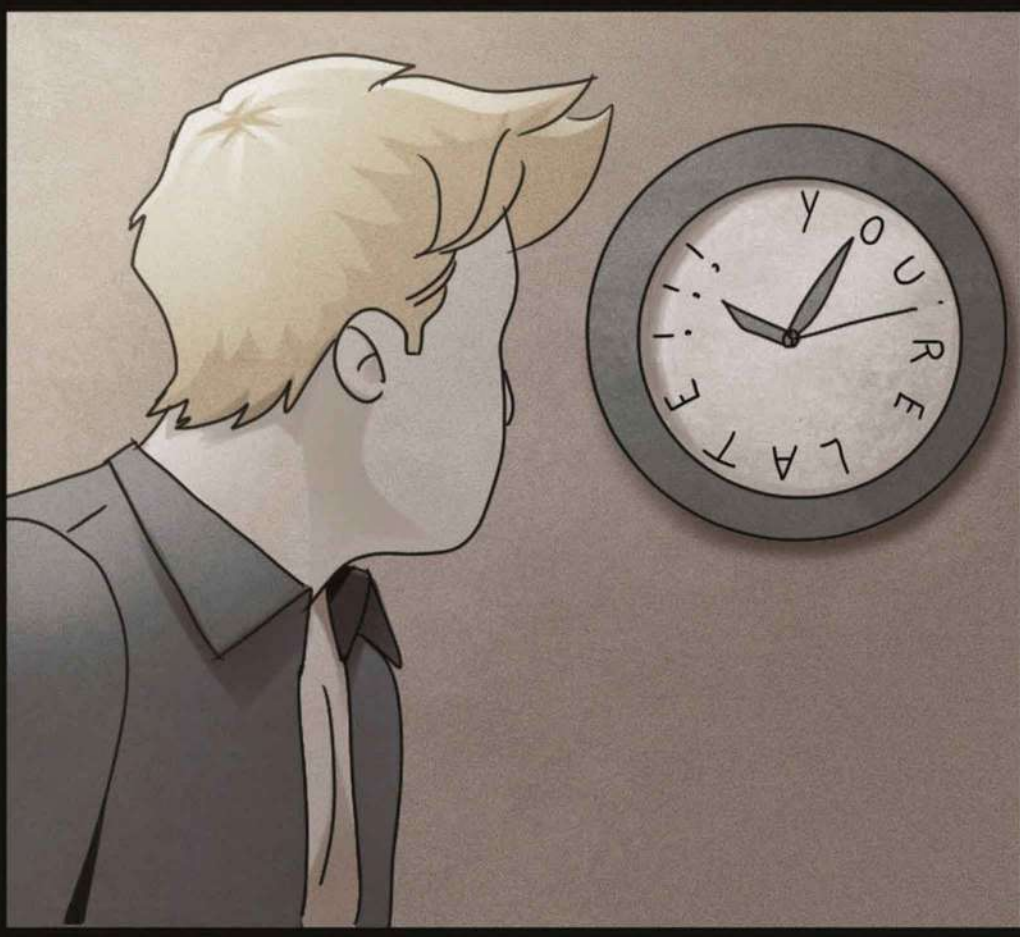
TAKE ME  
HOME WITH  
YOU.



OKAY, OKAY. IF  
YOU STAY PUT ON  
THIS DESK UNTIL MY  
SHIFT IS OVER, I'LL  
TAKE YOU HOME  
WITH ME.

BUT NOW  
IT'S NAPTIME.  
NIGHTY NIGHT.

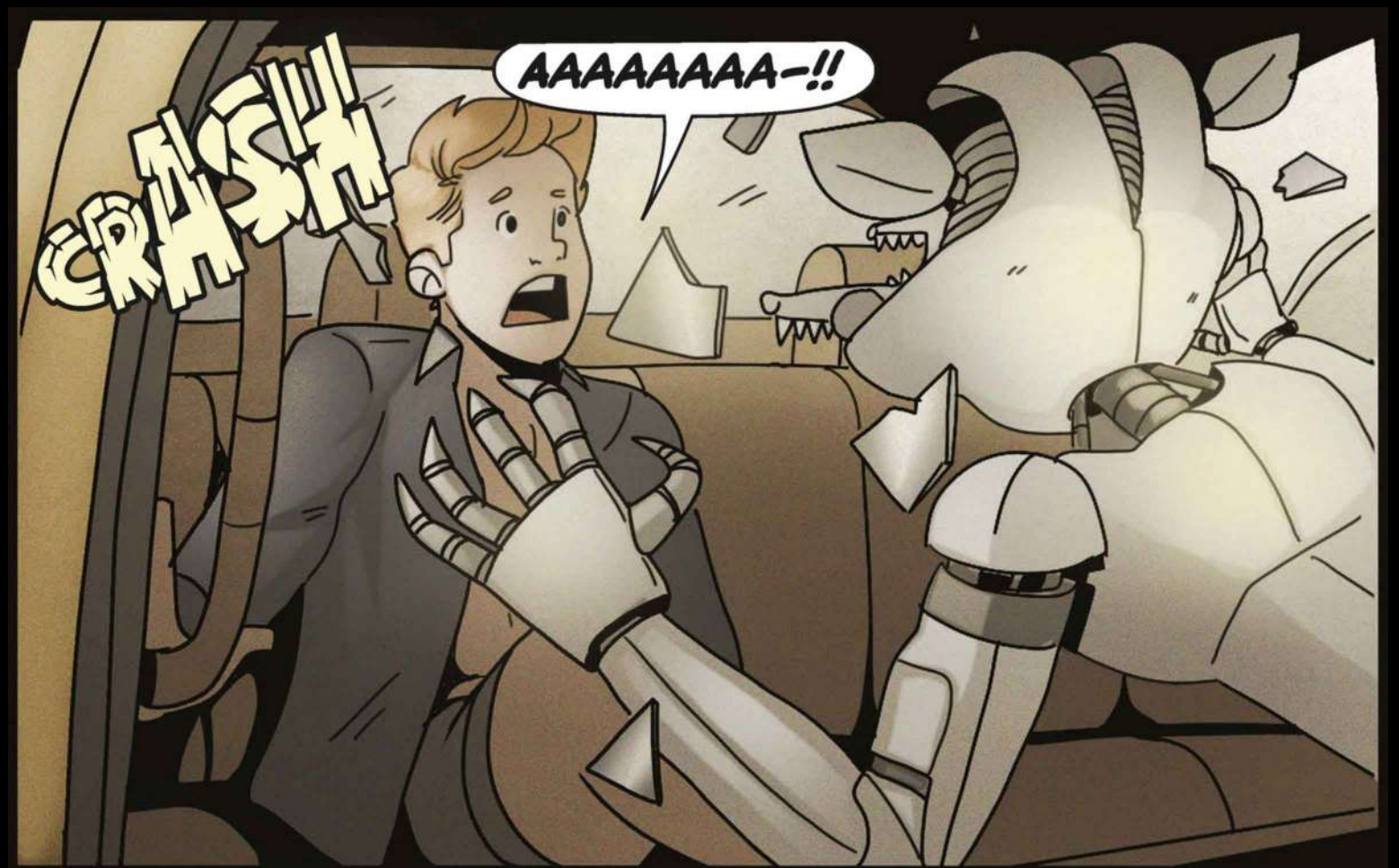
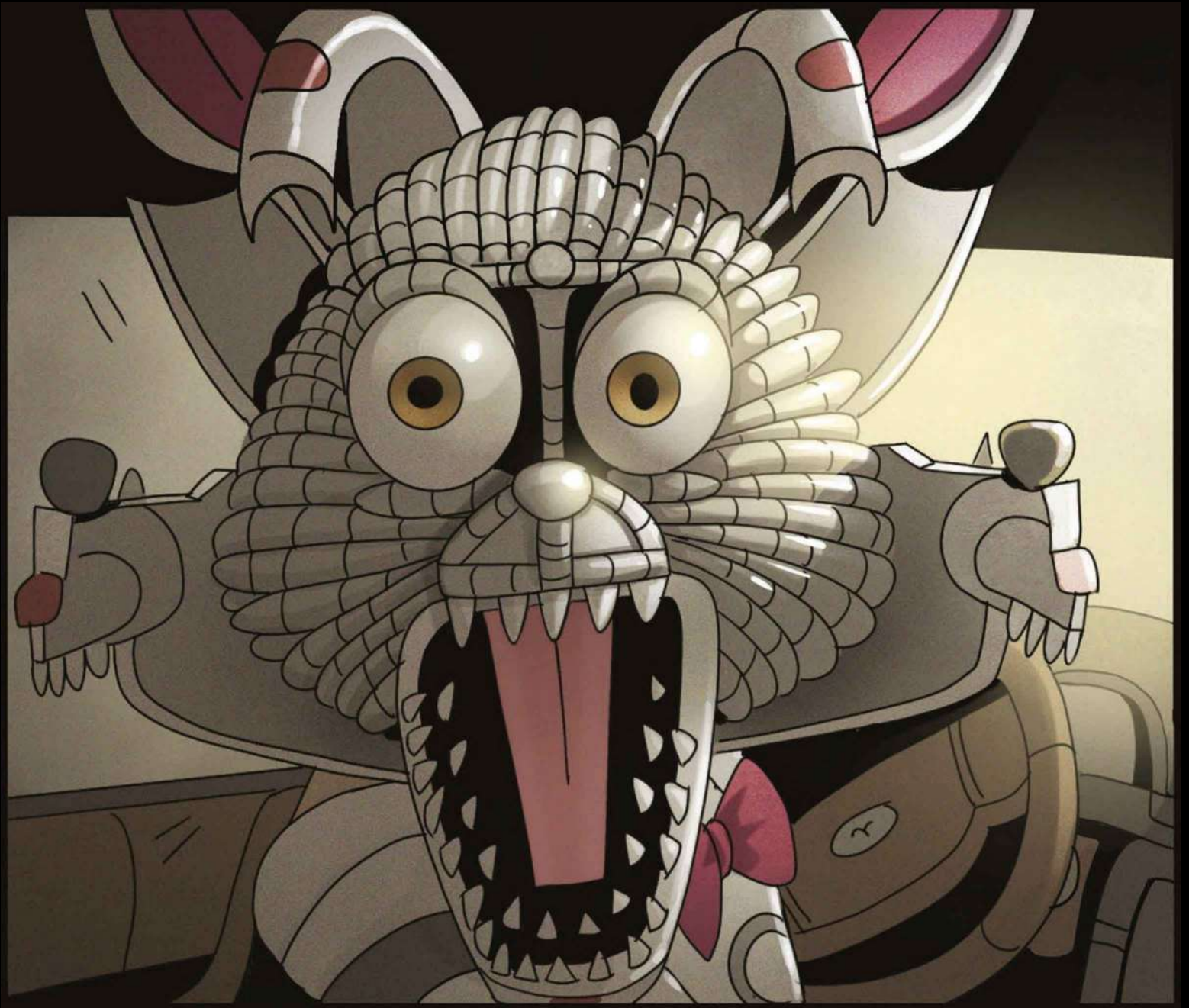




























RING...  
RING...



NGF...



COUGH

HEY,  
MELISSA...

YOU  
SOUND  
AWFUL! ARE  
YOU SICK?



A  
COLD.

NO WONDER,  
WORKING NIGHTS  
IN THAT DARK,  
AIRLESS FACTORY.  
IT'S LIKE A  
CATACOMB.

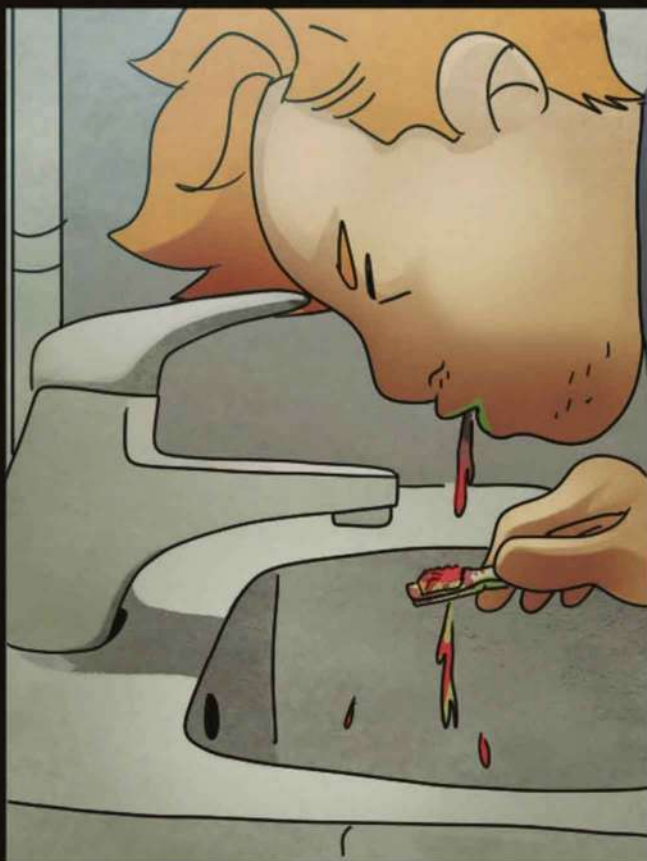
LISTEN, THE KIDS  
ARE OVER AT MOM'S  
AND TODD IS BOWLING  
TONIGHT. I MADE A POT OF  
CHILI AND CORN BREAD. I  
THOUGHT I MIGHT BRING  
SOME OVER AND WE  
CAN HAVE DINNER  
TOGETHER.

SOUNDS  
NICE...



"... I'LL BE  
BY AT SIX."













THAT'S  
A LITTLE  
BETTER,  
EH?

YOU'RE  
AMAZING . . .

WELL, IT'S  
NICE TO HAVE  
AN APPRECIATIVE  
AUDIENCE. MY  
KIDS SURE  
AREN'T.



AND HOPEFULLY  
YOU'LL FEEL A LITTLE  
BETTER ONCE YOU'VE  
GOT SOMETHING  
TO EAT.



OH NO . . .  
THIS IS NOT  
THE STAN I  
KNOW.

MOM USED TO SAY  
YOU MUST HAVE A  
HOLLOW LEG BECAUSE  
SHE COULDN'T SEE WHERE  
YOU PUT AWAY ALL THE FOOD  
YOU WERE CONSTANTLY  
WOLFING DOWN.



≡COUGH≡  
≡HACK≡  
≡COUGH≡

STAN, YOU  
GOTTA SEE  
A DOCTOR.

NO! DOCTORS  
KILLED DAD. THE  
CHEMO, THE RADIA-  
TION. THEY PUMPED HIM  
FULL OF POISON!

NO  
DOCTORS.





STAN, DAD KNEW SOMETHING WAS WRONG AND HE WAITED MONTHS BEFORE SEEING A DOCTOR. AND BY THEN, IT WAS TOO LATE TO HELP HIM.

THEY GAVE THE CHEMO A TRY, BUT THE CANCER HAD ALREADY SPREAD. IT PROBABLY WOULD HAVE WORKED IF THEY'D GOTTEN TO IT EARLIER.

I DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT HAPPEN TO YOU, TOO.

I DON'T HAVE CANCER.



PROBABLY NOT, BUT YOU HAVE A WEIRD COMBINATION OF SYMPTOMS. YOUR THROAT'S SORE, AND YOUR ARMS LOOK ALL STIFF AND SWOLLEN.

I'LL TELL YOU WHAT. I'M GOING TO COME OVER AND CHECK ON YOU IN THREE DAYS, AND IF YOU'RE NOT BETTER BY THEN, I'M TAKING YOU TO THE DOCTOR.



ALL RIGHT, I GOTTA GET GOING. I THINK YOU SHOULD CALL OUT SICK TONIGHT.

I'LL THINK ABOUT IT. BUT I NEED THE MONEY...

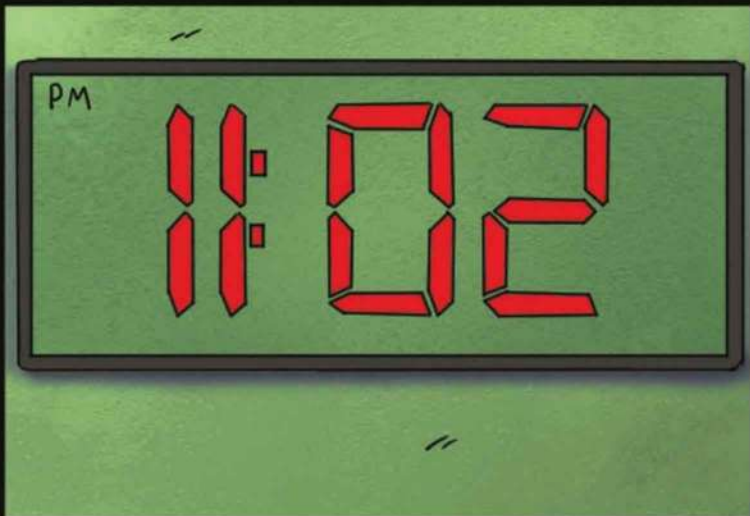
DON'T JUST THINK ABOUT IT.



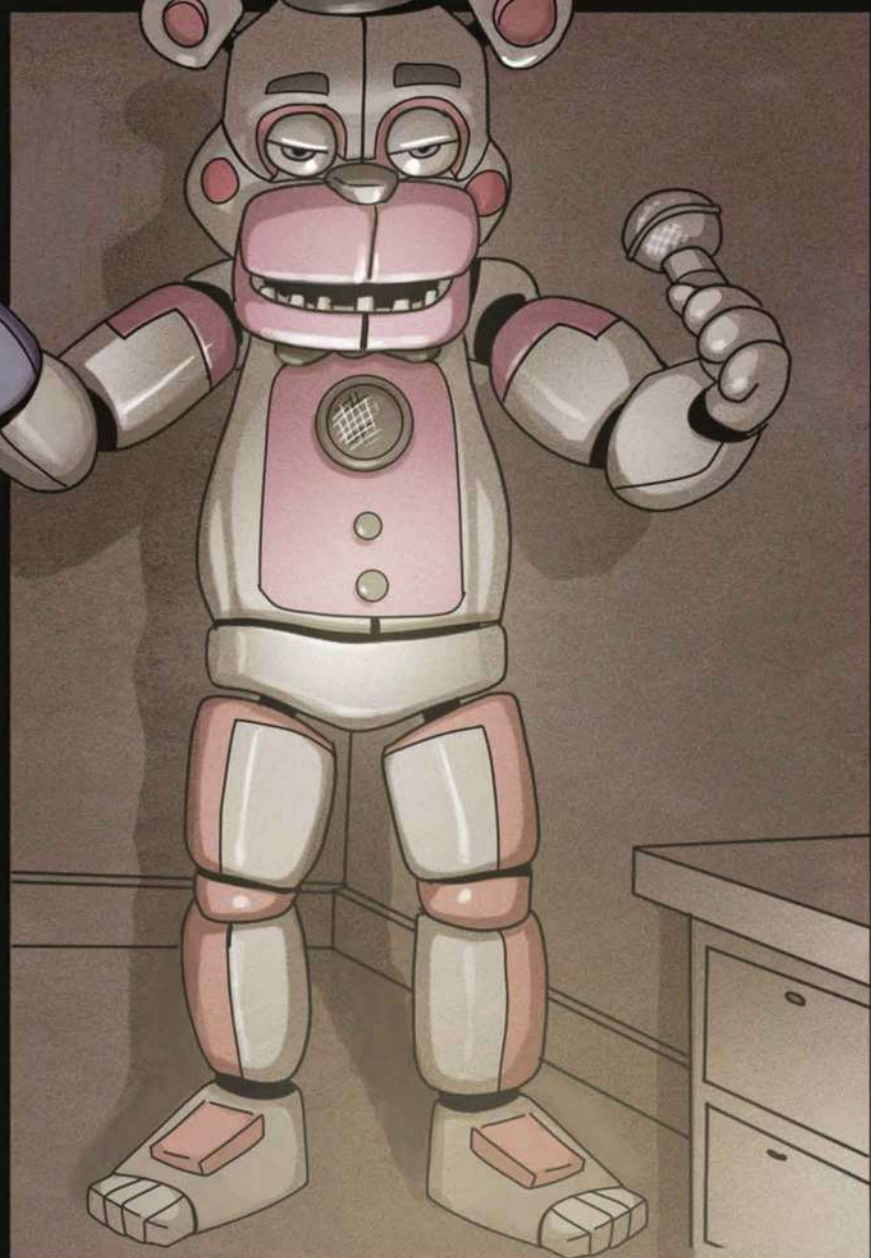
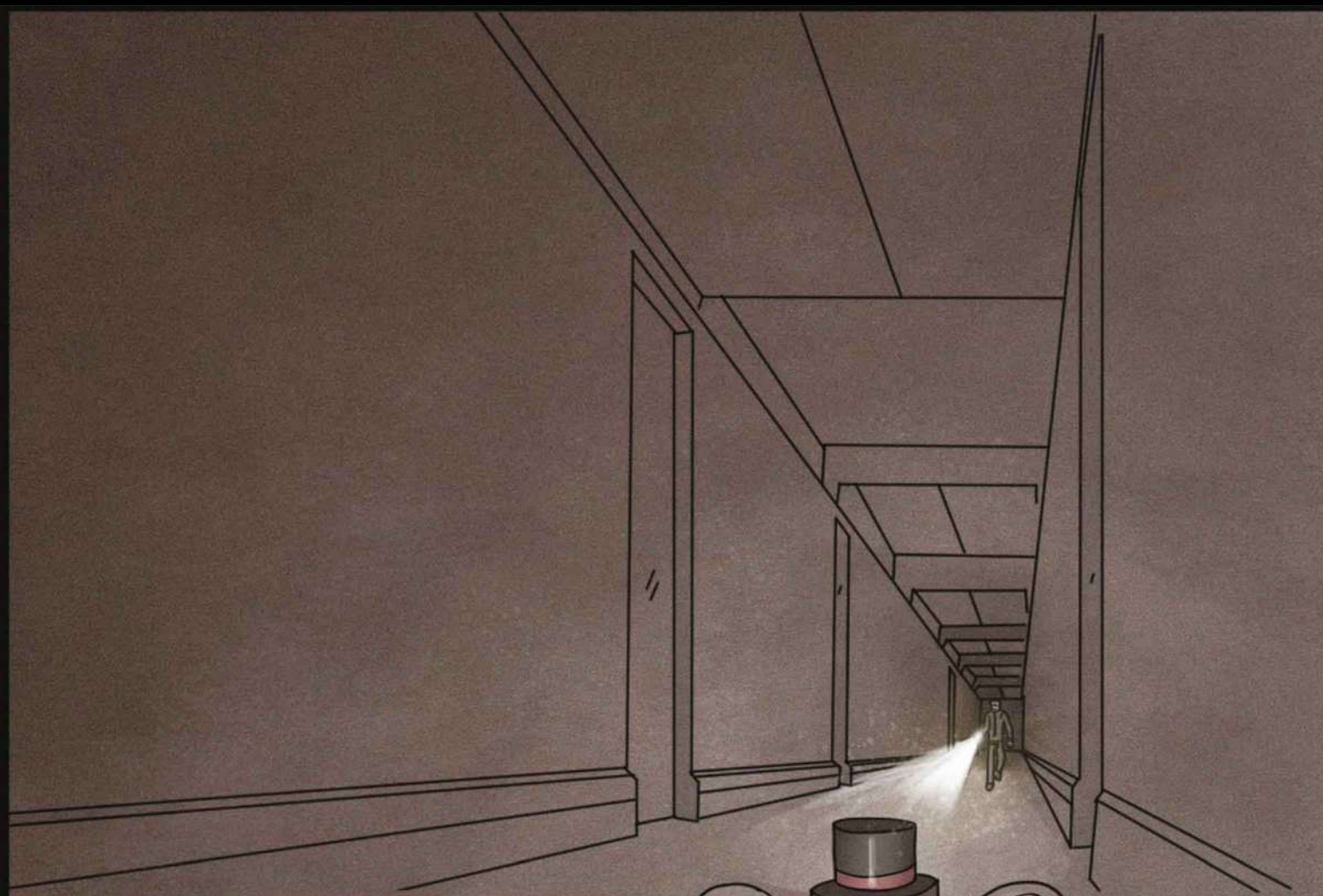
"... DO IT."

"SEE YOU IN THREE DAYS."

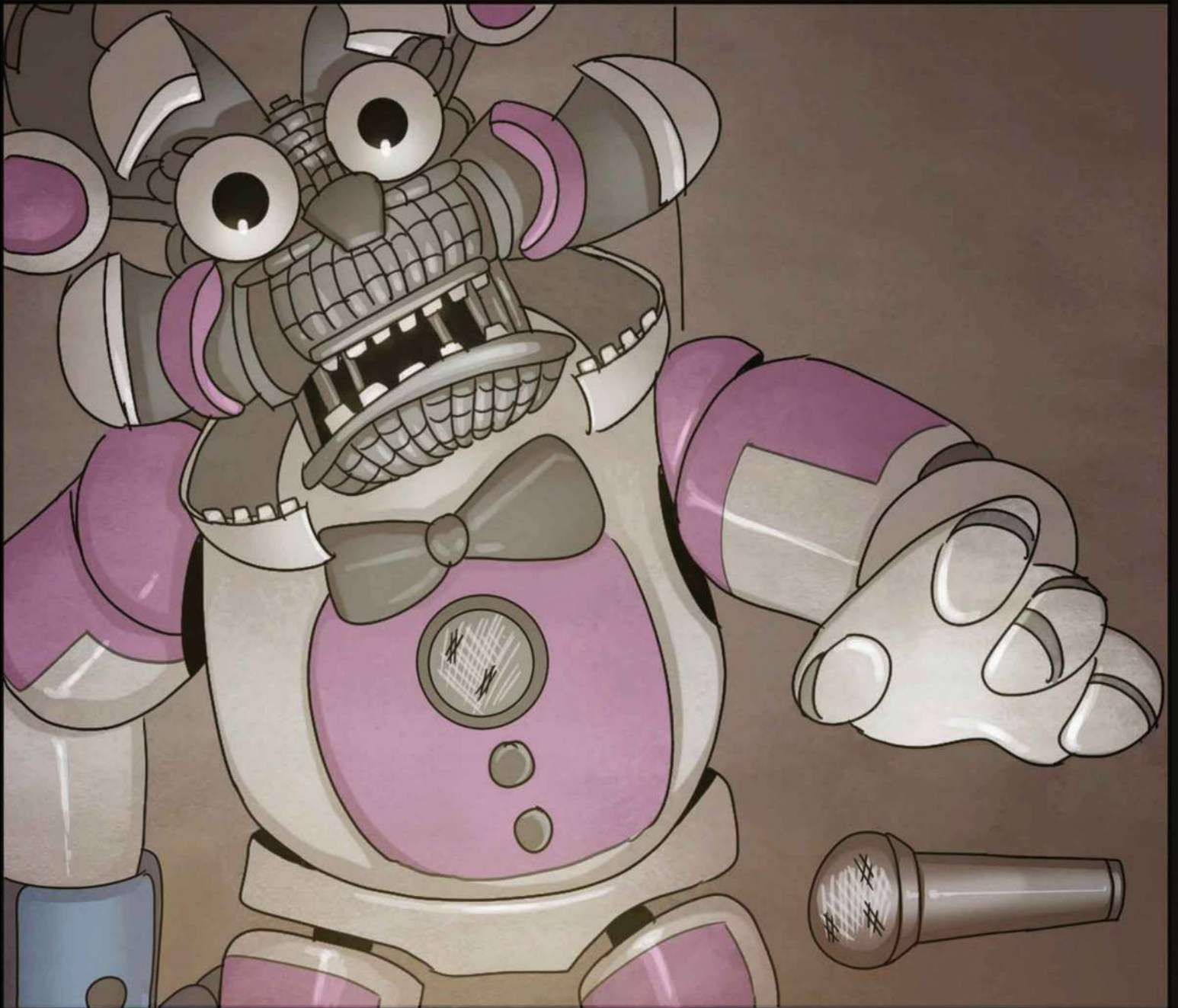
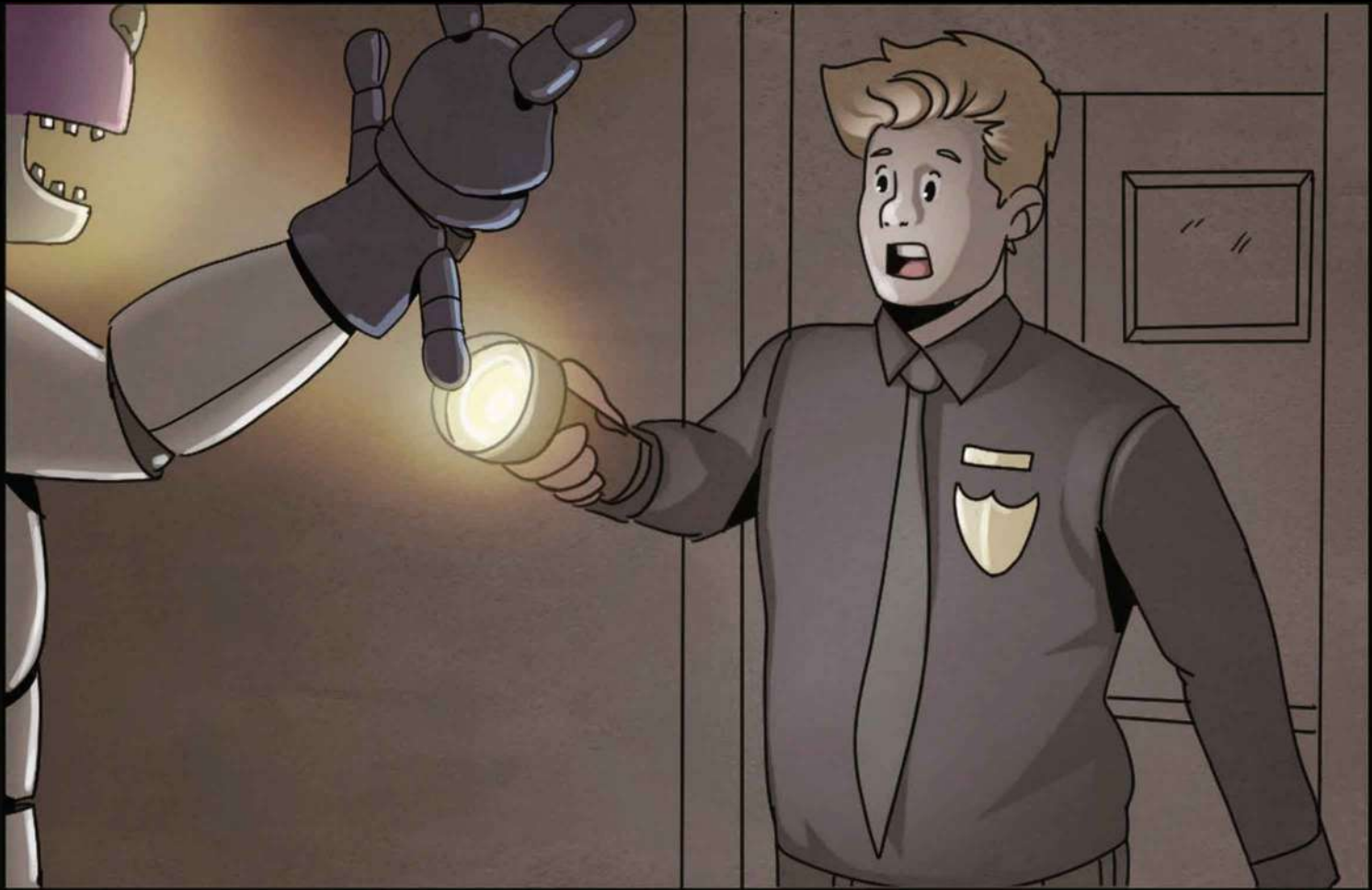




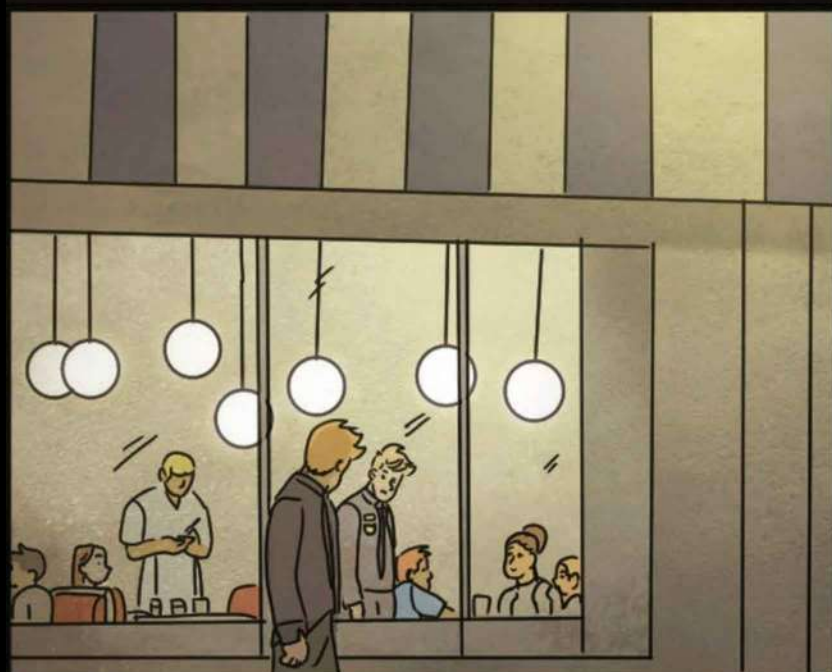
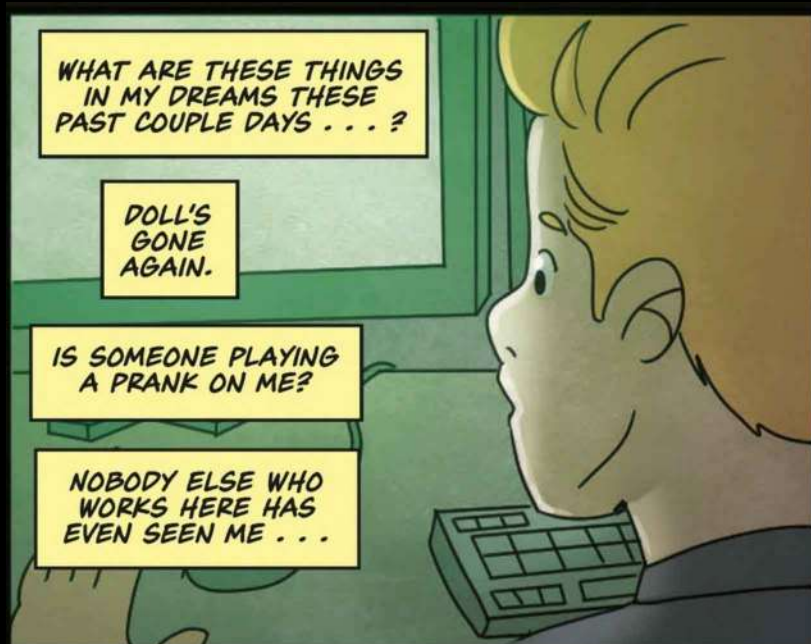
















WOW, YOU MUST FEEL TERRIBLE, RIGHT?

IS IT THAT OBVIOUS?

SORE THROAT?

YES, MA'AM. A BAD ONE.



WELL, LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT YOU AND SEE IF WE CAN GET YOU FEELING BETTER.



THAT'S NOT GOOD. LET ME RUN THIS TEST AND THEN WE'LL FIGURE OUT WHAT TO DO.



NO STREP, BUT AS IRRITATED AS YOUR THROAT IS, I FEAR THERE'S AT LEAST SOME KIND OF INFECTION. AND THE BLOOD IS WORRYING.



"HERE ARE SOME ANTIBIOTICS, BUT IF YOU'RE NOT SEEING A DIFFERENCE BY MONDAY, I WANT YOU TO PROMISE ME YOU'LL GO SEE YOUR REGULAR DOCTOR."













HI,  
MOM.

MELISSA  
SAID YOU'RE  
A WRECK.

THAT'S  
NICE TO  
HEAR.

IT'S NOT  
SOMETHING TO  
JOKE ABOUT,  
STANLEY.

SHE  
THINKS  
YOU NEED TO  
GO TO A  
DOCTOR.



I WENT TO A  
WALK-IN CLINIC  
THIS MORNING, MOM.  
THE NURSE WROTE ME  
A PRESCRIPTION FOR  
SOME PILLS. THEY  
JUST HAVEN'T HAD  
TIME TO WORK  
YET. I'M GOING  
TO BE FINE.

MELISSA ALSO  
SAYS YOU SHOULD  
GET OUT MORE, SEE  
SOME PEOPLE. ONCE  
YOU'RE BETTER, OF  
COURSE. SHE SAYS  
YOU'RE LONELY.

SHE'S  
PROBABLY  
RIGHT. IT'S  
JUST HARD.  
I'M NOT OVER  
AMBER YET.



OF COURSE,  
SWEETIE. IT'S ONLY  
BEEN TWO WEEKS.  
BUT OVER TIME, YOUR  
HEART WILL HEAL, AND  
THERE'LL BE SOMEBODY  
ELSE. SOMEBODY WHO  
APPRECIATES YOU FOR  
WHO YOU ARE.

I NEVER  
THOUGHT I'D  
DATE AGAIN AFTER  
YOUR FATHER DIED,  
BUT YOU HAVE  
TO ADMIT . . .



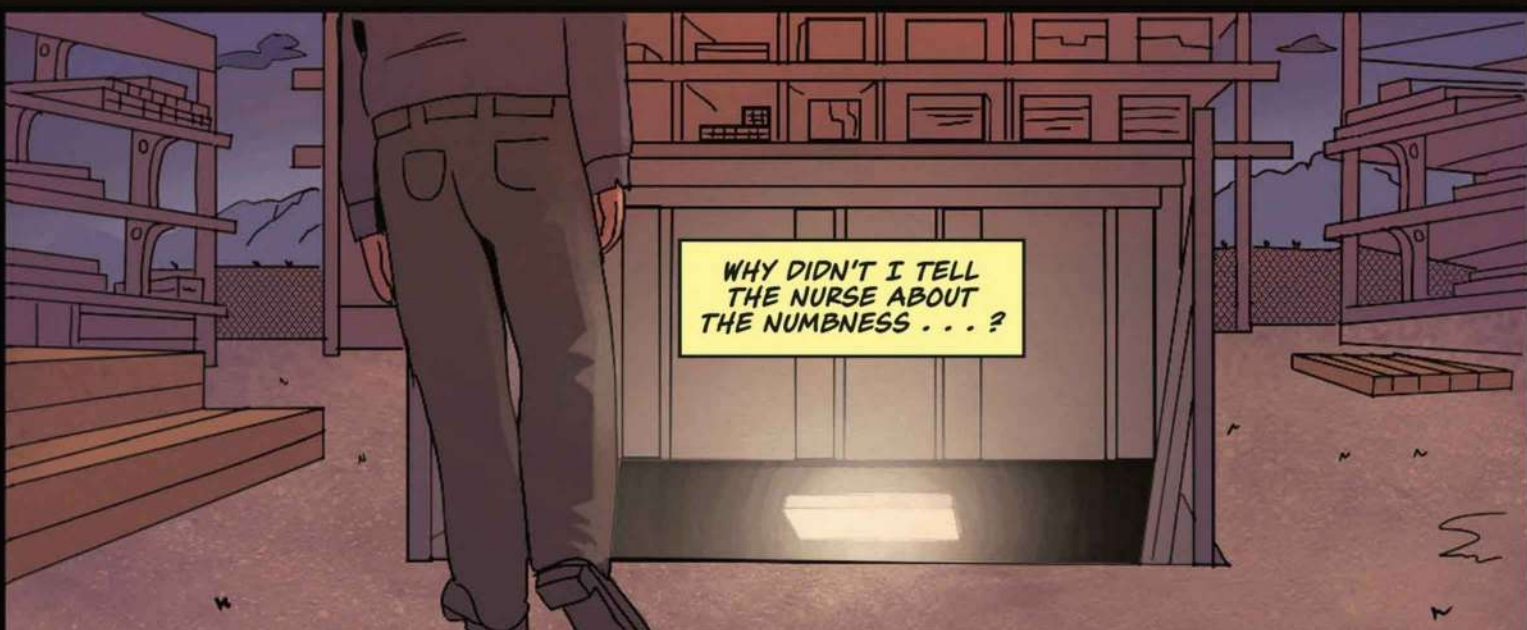
. . . HAROLD  
IS A REALLY  
NICE GUY.

HE IS,  
MOM.





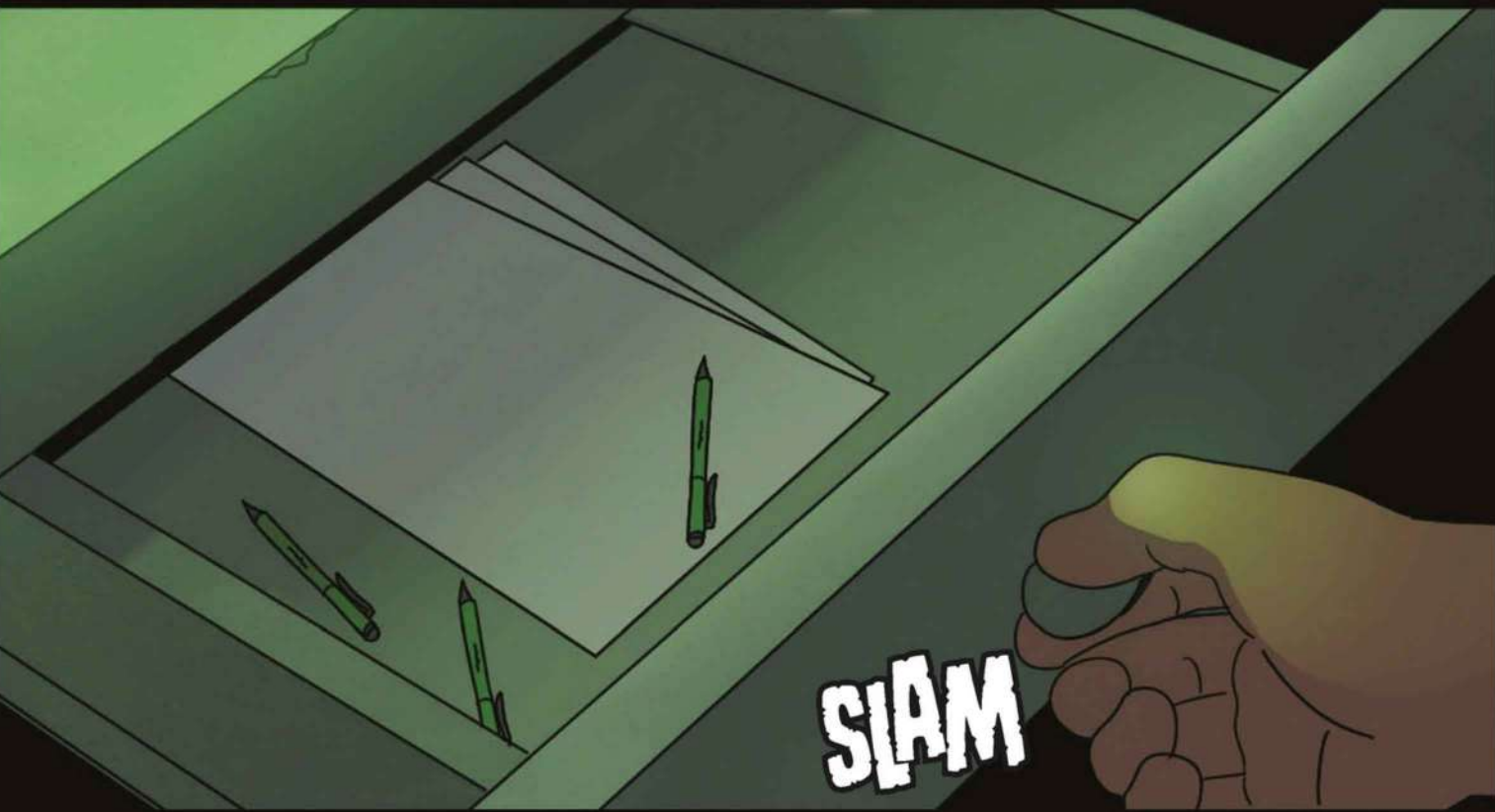
















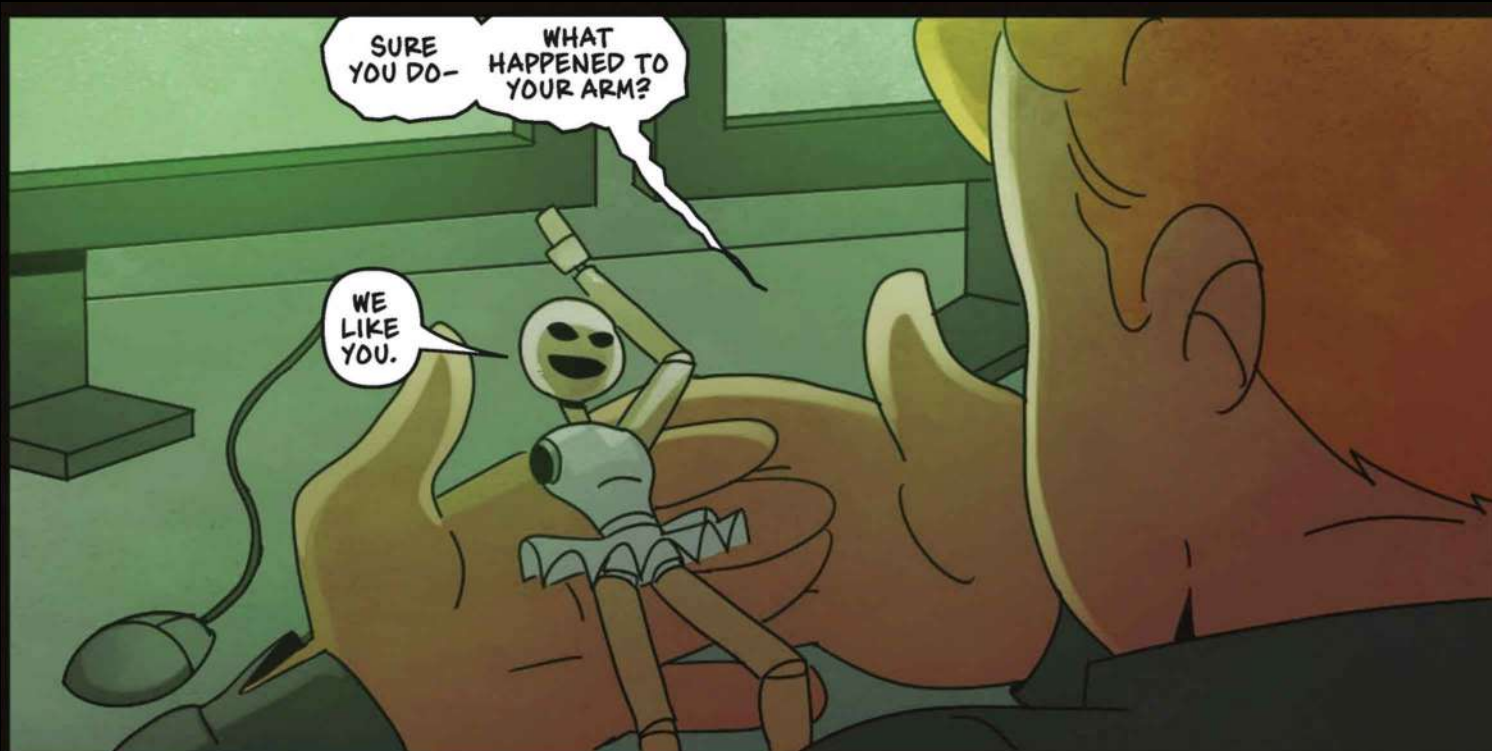
dear Amber,  
do you remember how we first met in the grocery  
store? i brought my stuff to your register.  
you checked me out, and all that time i was checking  
you out. i was too nervous to ask you on a date,  
but i kept coming to the store and buying things  
i didn't need just so i could see you. finally you  
said, "do you like me or something?" i think i blushed,  
but i said yes, and you said, "then why don't  
you ask me out?" when i did and you said yes, i think  
it was the happiest i have ever been. Amber, i know i  
wasn't always the best or most exciting boyfriend,  
but i want you to know that i truly loved  
you and still do. i have been real sick lately, and if  
you're reading this it's probably because something  
bad has happened to me. please don't feel sad for me.  
i just want you to know i'm sorry i didn't make you happier  
and give you what you needed, but it wasn't because i didn't  
love you. i did and still do very much. i wish you lots  
of happiness in your life, as much happiness as you  
brought me when we were together.

Love Always,  
Stanley











THAT'S ENOUGH OF  
THIS NONSENSE.

I'M GOING TO  
A DOCTOR. I'M  
GOING TO GET MY  
HEALTH ISSUES  
STRAIGHTENED  
OUT.

AND THEN I'M  
GOING TO GET  
A NEW JOB.  
WORK DAYS.

SEE MY FRIENDS.

GO TO THE GYM.

MAYBE I'LL EVEN  
ASK KATIE OUT.

AS SOON  
AS THIS SHIFT  
IS OVER. IT  
ALL...



























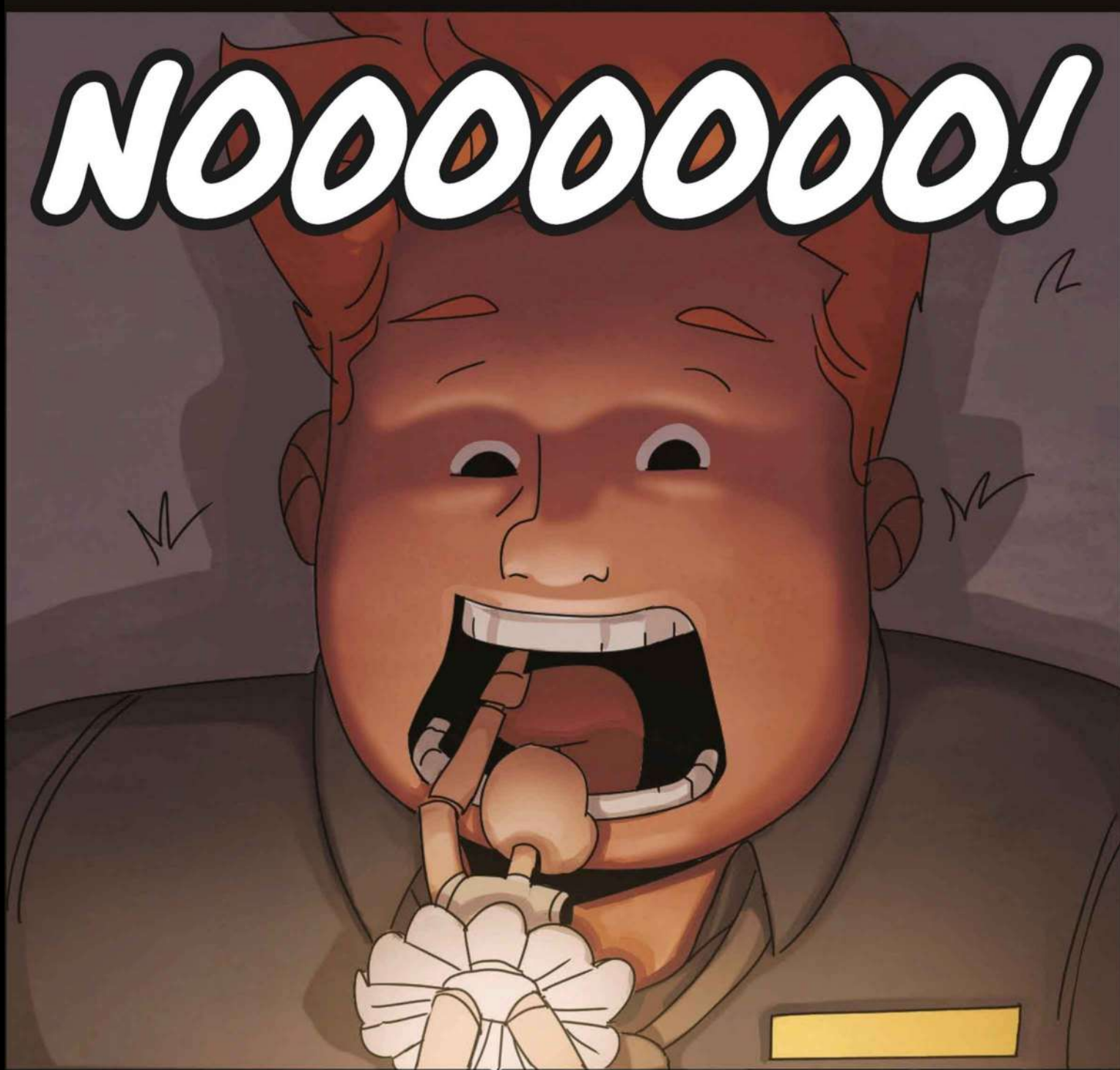








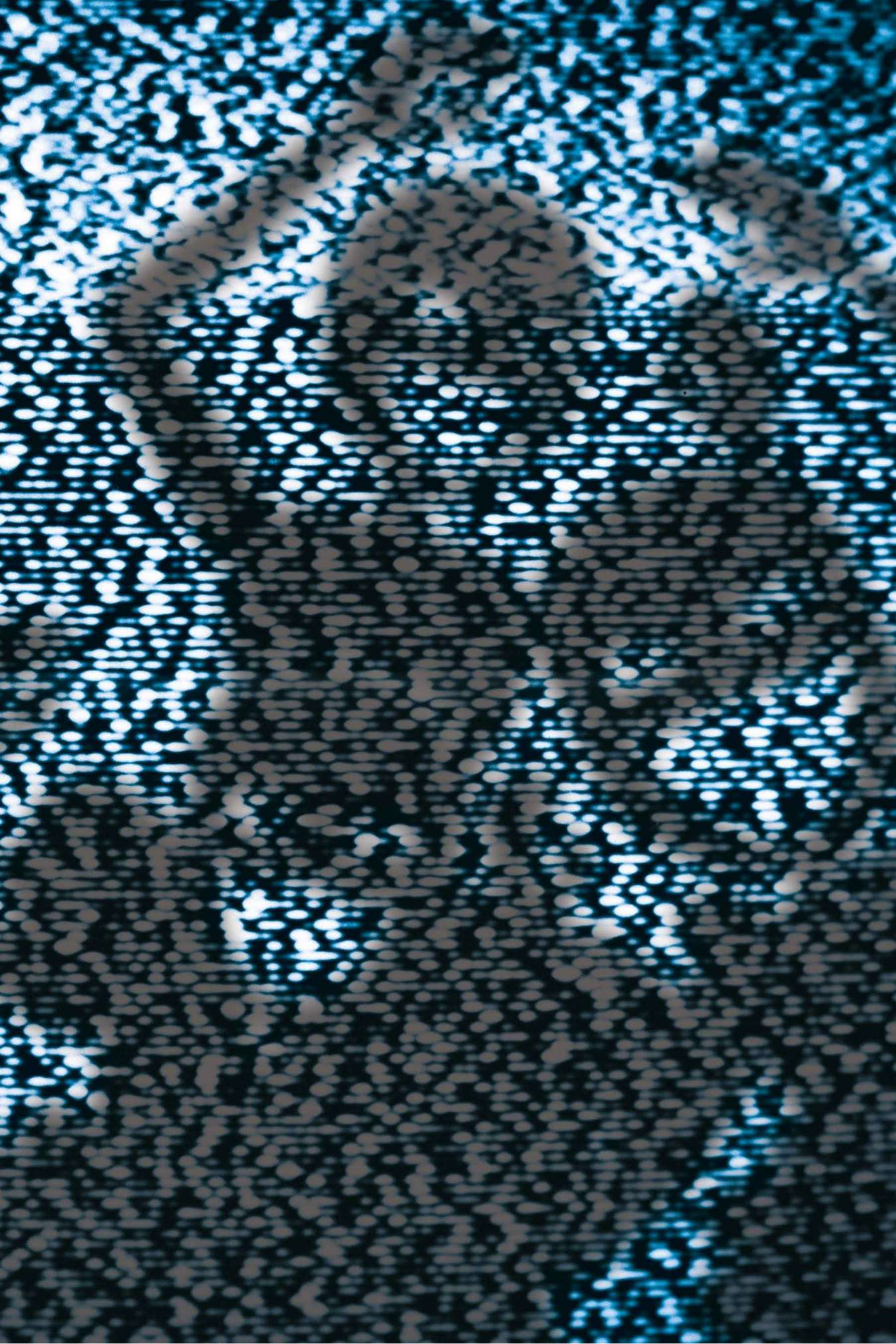




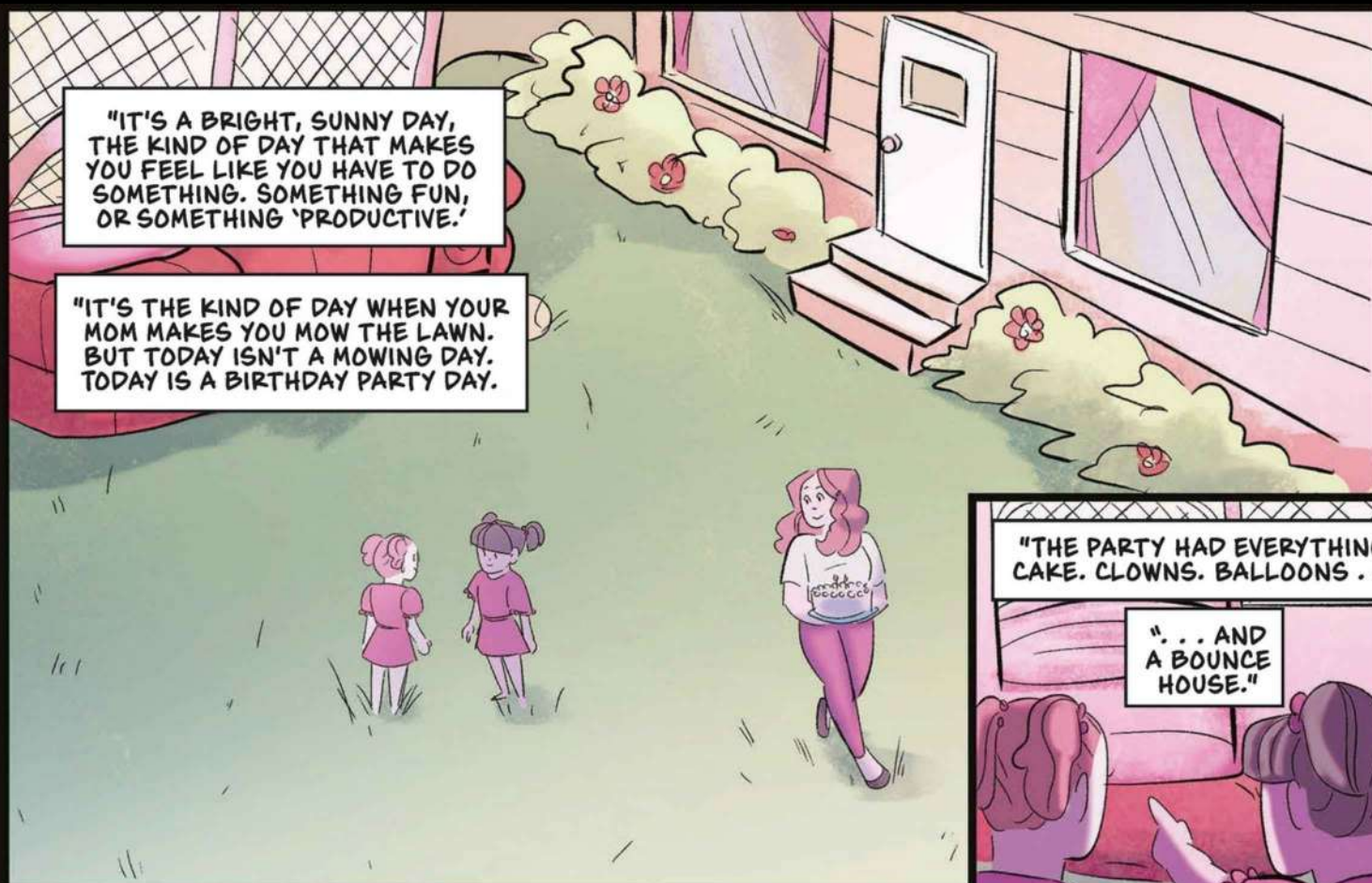


# THE NEW KID









"IT'S A BRIGHT, SUNNY DAY, THE KIND OF DAY THAT MAKES YOU FEEL LIKE YOU HAVE TO DO SOMETHING. SOMETHING FUN, OR SOMETHING 'PRODUCTIVE.'"

"IT'S THE KIND OF DAY WHEN YOUR MOM MAKES YOU MOW THE LAWN. BUT TODAY ISN'T A MOWING DAY. TODAY IS A BIRTHDAY PARTY DAY."



"THE PARTY HAD EVERYTHING. CAKE. CLOWNS. BALLOONS..."

"... AND A BOUNCE HOUSE."



BUT THIS ISN'T AN ORDINARY BOUNCE HOUSE. NO ONE KNOWS THAT YET, BUT THEY'RE GOING TO FIND OUT...

... NOW.  
BECAUSE NOW LITTLE HALLEY IS CRAWLING INTO THE BOUNCE HOUSE. SHE'S THE FIRST ONE IN. RIGHT BEHIND HER IS HER TWIN SISTER, HOPE.

≡GASP!≡



I GOT HER ATTENTION. GOOD.

HALLEY MAKES IT ALMOST ALL THE WAY INTO THE BOUNCE HOUSE...



"HALLEY MAKES IT ALMOST ALL THE WAY INTO THE BOUNCE HOUSE, HER BRIGHT PINK DRESS CLASHING WITH THE HOUSE'S PUFFY RED VINYL FLOOR.

"'FASTER,' HOPE URGES HALLEY, PUSHING HALLEY'S BUTT. HALLEY STILL CRAWLS SLOWLY, UNTIL SUDDENLY, SHE'S SUCKED INSIDE THE BOUNCE HOUSE. HOPE GIGGLES AND FOLLOWS HER.



"BUT IN A SECOND, HOPE IS GOING TO WISH SHE DIDN'T FOLLOW HER SISTER. IN JUST A SECOND, SHE'S LOOKING DOWN AS SHE CRAWLS INSIDE, BUT NOW SHE'S IN."



SHE LOOKS UP AND SEES HER SISTER'S PARTIALLY EATEN BODY LYING STILL ON THE RED VINYL. NO, WAIT!

IT'S COVERED IN BLOOD.

"AND THE HOUSE ISN'T A HOUSE. IT'S A BIG MOUTH!"











WHO CARES IF IT COST ME A TRIP TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE? THE BEST CREATIVE ARTISTS HAVE HIDDEN DEPTHS LURKING BENEATH THE SURFACE. AND USUALLY THOSE DEPTHS ARE MISUNDERSTOOD.

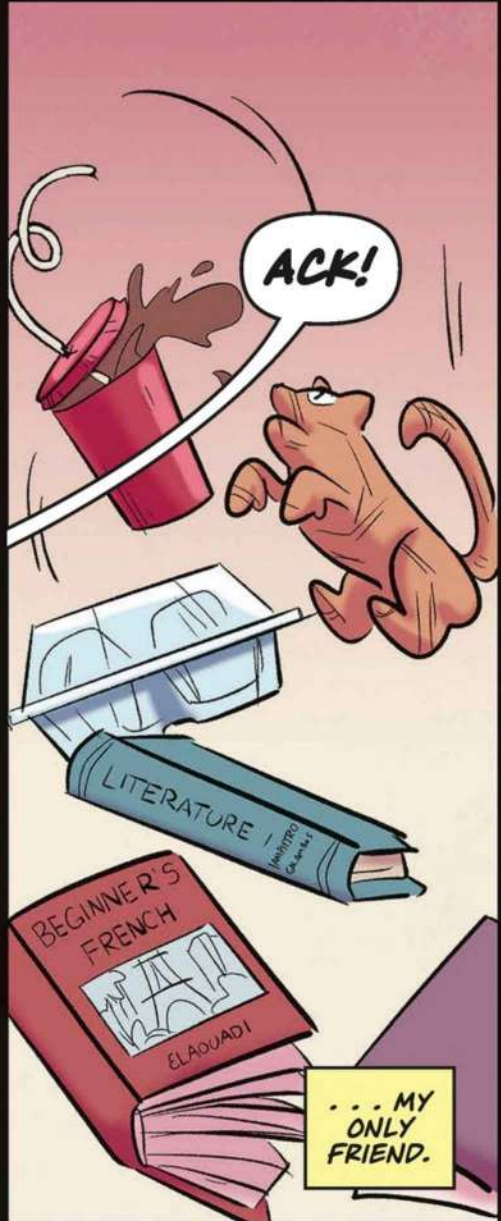
FINALLY OUT OF SCHOOL, I GOTTA HEAR WHAT HAPPENED FROM MICK . . .



YOU'VE GOT SOME FROSTING ON YOUR FACE.



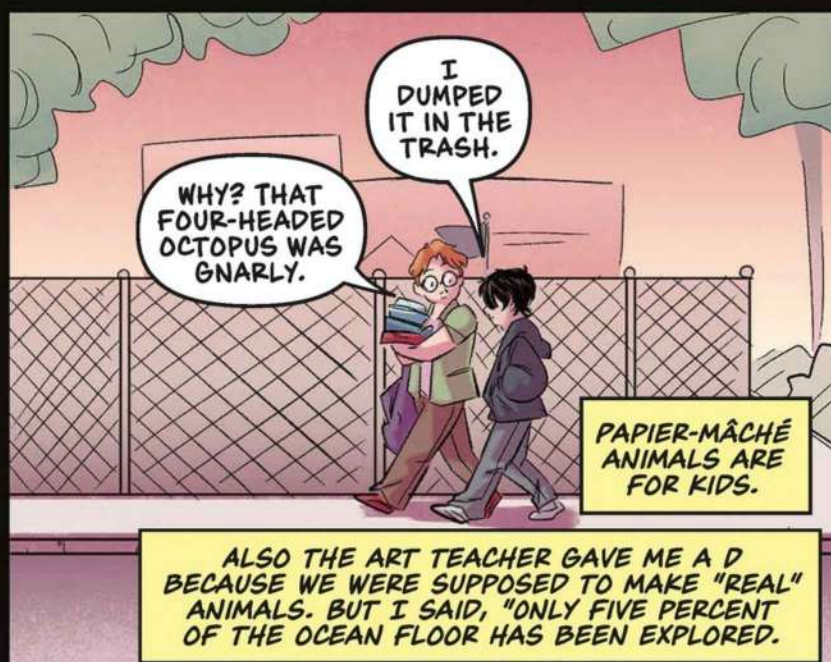
HUH? WHAT? OH.



ACK!

... MY ONLY FRIEND.













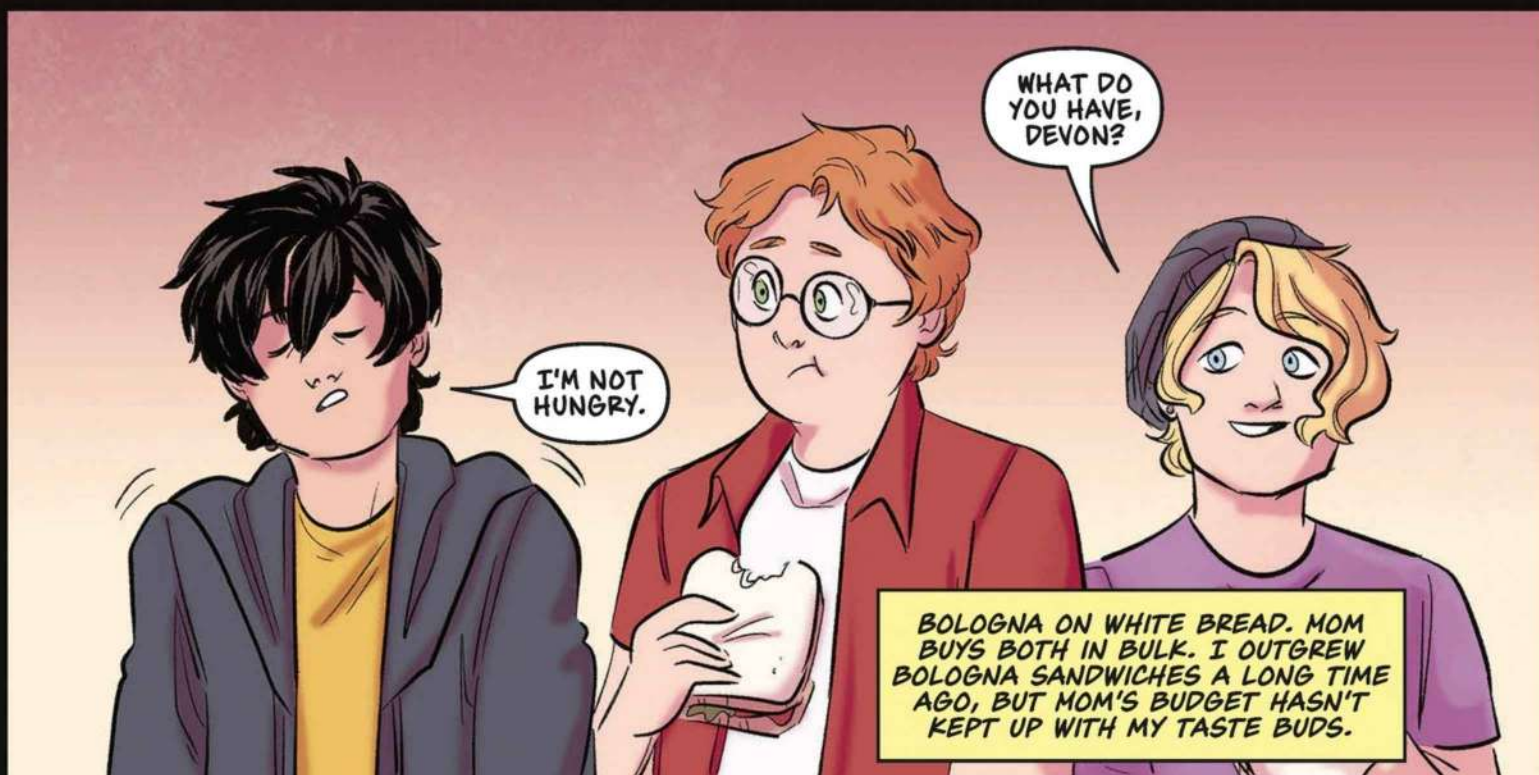


















I FEEL LIKE I'VE BEEN FLOATING ALL DAY. I HAVE TO ADMIT, KELSEY JUST MAKES YOU FEEL GOOD. AND HEATHER'S TALKED TO ME TWO DAYS IN A ROW . . .

I'VE DECIDED I'M GOING TO MAKE MY OWN MOVIES.

I DON'T WANT TO BE AN ACTRESS. I WANT TO BE BEHIND THE CAMERA.

IF YOU'RE GOING TO MAKE MOVIES, YOU SHOULD DO HORROR MOVIES. EVEN CAMPY HORROR MOVIES CAN GET GOOD FOLLOWINGS.

IF YOU DECIDE TO DO HORROR MOVIES, LET ME KNOW. I HAVE A COUSIN WHO HAS CLOWN MAKEUP AND COSTUMES. YOU COULD DO A CREEPY-CLOWN STORY-

PUSH!













HEY, KELSEY.

HEY, GUYS.  
YO, DEVON. YOUR KINDA WEATHER, RIGHT?



HUH? OH. YEAH.

SO, DO YOU KNOW ALL THE CLOUD TYPES? WE LEARNED ABOUT THEM IN SCHOOL LAST YEAR, AND THE ONLY ONE I CAN REMEMBER IS STRATUS. WHAT'RE THOSE?

CUMULUS.



MAYBE THAT'S THE KEY TO KELSEY MAKING FRIENDS WITH LITERALLY EVERYONE. HE TALKS TO YOU LIKE HE ACTUALLY CARES ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE INTO. DOES HE REALLY? OR IS IT JUST AN ACT?

NICE! WHAT ARE YOU TWO DOING NOW?



WHATEVER IT IS, IT'S NOT FAIR. IT'S TOO EASY.

HE'S STARTING TO GET ON MY NERVES.

WE'RE LOOKING FOR A NEW CLUBHOUSE! WE USED TO GO TO AN OLD GAS STATION, BUT IT WAS TORN DOWN.



A HANGOUT? WELL, YOU KNOW THE BEST PLACES FOR HANGOUTS ARE ABANDONED BUILDINGS.

I'VE GOT A FRIEND AT MY LAST SCHOOL WHO'S REALLY INTO URBAN EXPLORING. I'VE ALREADY ASKED HIM TO LET ME KNOW IF THERE'S ANYTHING AROUND HERE WORTH CHECKING OUT. HE'S LOOKING INTO IT.

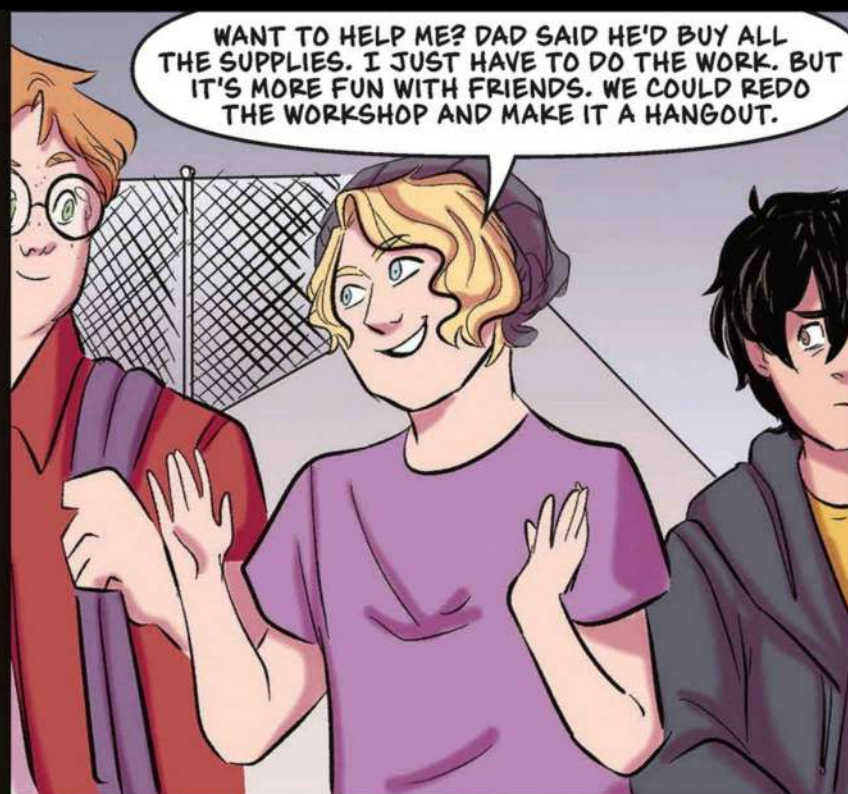




BUT UNTIL THEN, I CAN STILL HELP WITH THE HANGOUT THING.

YOU CAN?

THERE'S THIS BIG, OLD WORKSHOP BEHIND THE HOUSE WE JUST MOVED INTO. IT'S A MESS, BUT DAD SAID I COULD HAVE THE WORKSHOP FOR PARTIES AND WHATEVER IF I FIX IT UP.



WANT TO HELP ME? DAD SAID HE'D BUY ALL THE SUPPLIES. I JUST HAVE TO DO THE WORK. BUT IT'S MORE FUN WITH FRIENDS. WE COULD REDO THE WORKSHOP AND MAKE IT A HANGOUT.

DID HE REALLY JUST SAY, "IT'S MORE FUN WITH FRIENDS"? MAKES ME TEMPTED TO STAB HIM AND SEE IF HE'S A ROBOT. KIDS DON'T SAY STUFF LIKE THAT.



THAT'S THE BEE'S KNEES!

UGH, OR THAT. WHATEVER. BUT I HAVE TO ADMIT . . .



GLAD YOU THINK SO. HOW ABOUT YOU, DEV?

. . . YEAH. ACTUALLY, THAT SOUNDS PRETTY GREAT.

AWESOME! I ALREADY ASKED MY NEIGHBOR GEORGE IF HE'D TAKE US TO GET SUPPLIES. HE'S GOT A BIG RED PICKUP TRUCK. YOU WON'T BE ABLE TO MISS IT, TOMORROW AFTER SCHOOL.



IF WE HELP BUILD THE HANGOUT AND KELSEY HAS PARTIES, WE GET INVITED TO THE PARTIES.

IT ALMOST FEELS TOO EASY. BUT MAYBE THAT'S JUST HOW KELSEY LIVES, AND NOW HE'S FRIENDS WITH US, AND I GET TO BE A PART OF IT.

STILL, I GOTTA TRY NOT TO GET MY HOPES UP. LIFE HAS A WAY OF DISAPPOINTING.



# JUSTICE

TODAY, WE'RE TALKING ABOUT JUSTICE. THE CONCEPT IS GENERALLY DERIVED FROM MANY FIELDS OF STUDY. ETHICS, RATIONAL THOUGHT, THE LAW, RELIGION, AND JUST GENERAL IDEAS OF FAIRNESS.

UNDERLYING ALL OF THAT, THOUGH, IS USUALLY SOME KIND OF GUT FEELING. JUSTICE IS, IN MOST CASES, INTUITIVE. WE KNOW IT WHEN WE FEEL IT. SO, WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO YOU?



















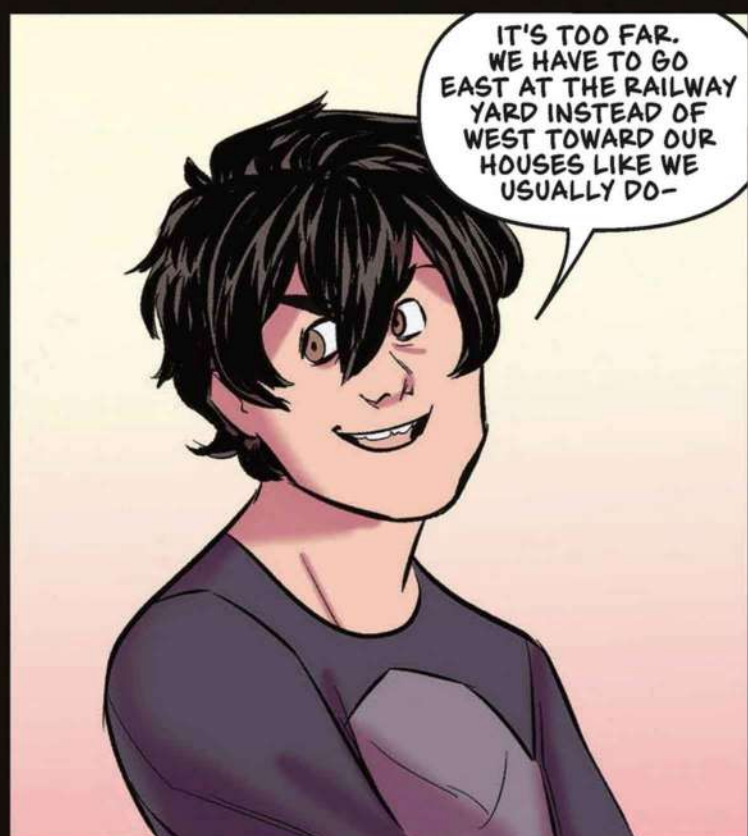




















NOW TO GET  
GOOD OL' KELSEY  
ON BOARD . . .



DUDE! YOU  
HAVE A GOOD  
WEEKEND?

UH . . .  
LOOK, GUYS,  
I'M REALLY  
SORRY ABOUT FRIDAY.  
THAT WAS AWKWARD.  
I WASN'T SURE  
WHAT TO DO.



GEORGE SAID  
YOU WEREN'T THERE  
WHEN HE WENT BACK,  
AND I DIDN'T HAVE  
YOUR NUMBERS TO  
CALL YOU . . .

NOT A  
PROBLEM. IT  
WAS AWKS, AND  
IT WASN'T YOUR  
FAULT.

"AWKS"?



PHEW!  
WE DIDN'T  
MAKE A LOT  
OF PROGRESS  
ANYWAY. HEATHER  
AND HER FRIENDS  
WEREN'T MUCH  
HELP.



BUT I  
STILL DON'T  
MIND HAVING  
THEM AROUND.  
YOU KNOW?



I  
KNOW.

















WHAT WAS THIS PLACE?

A PIZZERIA, I THINK.

I LOVE PIZZA.



ME TOO. HEY, MICK, PULL OUT YOUR CELL PHONE AND SEE IF YOU CAN FIND ANYTHING OUT ABOUT THE PLACE. I FORGOT MINE AT HOME.

I DON'T THINK I'VE EVER DONE THAT BEFORE. I FEEL NAKED WITHOUT IT.

HA HA!



DON'T BOTHER. THERE'S NO CELL SERVICE AROUND THIS BUILDING.

WELL, THAT'S A LITTLE SPOOKIO.

COME ON. YOU HAVE TO CRAWL.



THAT'S THE LIFE OF AN URBAN EXPLORER.



IT WILL BE WORTH IT, I SWEAR. JUST GO SLOW.

DON'T WANT TO MESS UP YOUR KNEES POKING THROUGH THOSE EXPENSIVE, PRE-TORN JEANS.









MY DAD  
WORKED ON  
AN AMUSEMENT  
PARK ONCE. THEY  
HAD ANIMATRONIC  
BIRDS.

BUT WHY  
A CHICKEN,  
A RABBIT, AND  
A BEAR?



A CHICKEN,  
A RABBIT, AND  
A BEAR WALKED  
INTO A PIZZA  
JOINT . . .

HA HA HA  
HA . . .



KELSEY'S A FUNNY  
DUDE, I HAVE TO  
ADMIT. TOO BAD-

WHAT WAS THAT? SOMETHING  
SLITHERING IN THE WALLS?

PRETTY SURE THEY  
HEARD IT, TOO,  
BASED ON THEIR  
EXPRESSIONS.

IT DOESN'T  
MATTER,  
BECAUSE . . .

COME  
ON.



THE BEST  
PART IS  
IN HERE.





STORAGE?

LOOK AT  
ALL THIS  
STUFF!

SCREEPY.

SO CLOSE . . .  
MY HEART IS  
POUNDING IN  
MY CHEST . . .

YOU'RE A GENIUS,  
DEVON. I THINK I CAN  
SALVAGE ONE OF THOSE  
SUITS AND MAYBE BUILD  
OUR OWN ANIMATRONIC  
FOR MY HANGOUT.

"YOUR"  
HANGOUT?

LAST WEEK YOU  
SAID "OUR."

THAT'S  
NOTHING.  
CHECK THIS  
OUT.





WHAT IS THAT?

IT'S AN ANIMATRONIC SUIT. IT HAS ANIMATRONIC, UM . . . ABILITIES, I GUESS, BUT IT CAN ALSO BE WORN AS A COSTUME.



I'VE READ ABOUT SOME CUTTING-EDGE STUFF THEY'RE DOING WITH THESE, WHERE YOU GET IN AND THE SUIT READS YOUR VITAL SIGNS AND RESPONDS TO YOUR PULSE AND TEMPERATURE AND STUFF.

I DOUBT IT WITH THIS ONE, THOUGH. IT'S TOO OLD. I WONDER HOW IT WORKS.

LET'S DRAG IT OUT TO THE MAIN ROOM, WHERE WE CAN SEE IT BETTER.



HRRRNGGG



MAN, LOOK AT IT.

I THINK IT'S CREEPY.

WELL, WHY DON'T YOU GO BACK AND FIND LIDS TO THOSE BINS OF SCREWS AND STUFF? YOU CAN STACK THEM UP AND BRING THEM OUT. WE CAN TAKE IT WITH US FOR KELSEY'S HANGOUT.





















D-DEV?  
DEV? DEV!

WHY ARE YOU  
LAUGHING?

IT'S . . .  
NEVER  
MIND.

I THINK  
I'M IN  
SHOCK.



IT'S STILL  
MOVING. HE'S  
ALIVE. WE HAVE  
TO GET HIM OUT  
OF THERE.

WE  
CAN'T.

WHAT  
DO YOU  
MEAN?



I REMEMBER DAD  
DRIVING AWAY, FOR  
THE LAST TIME.

I REMEMBER MOM, TIRED.  
I REMEMBER ANOTHER  
BOX OF MACARONI AND  
CHEESE FOR DINNER.

I REMEMBER OTHER  
KIDS LAUGHING AND  
JOKING. I REMEMBER  
MICK IN OUR GAS  
STATION CLUBHOUSE.

I REMEMBER HEATHER  
SAYING MY NAME.  
I REMEMBER . . .  
"JUSTICE IS PAYBACK."

THAT'S ALL I  
WANTED. KELSEY  
HURT ME. I JUST  
WANTED A LITTLE  
SCARRING.

"ACCIDENTS  
HAPPEN."

ACCIDENTS  
HAPPEN.













DAYS  
HAVE  
PASSED.



PEOPLE  
NOTICED  
KELSEY WAS  
MISSING.

KELSEY?  
KELSEY'S ABSENT  
AGAIN?



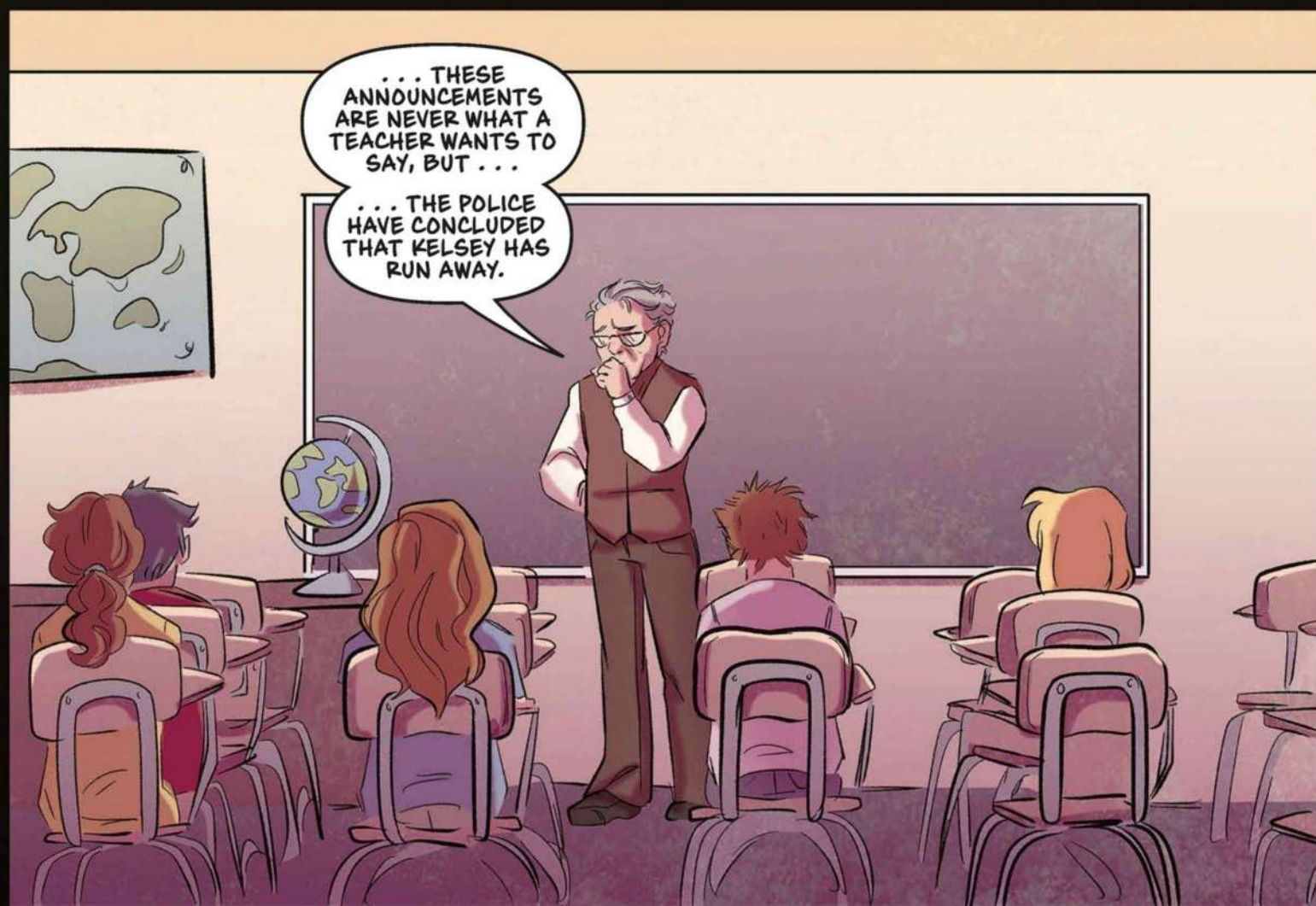
MICK  
STOPPED  
COMING TO  
SCHOOL.



I HAD  
NIGHTMARES  
EVERY NIGHT.

ACCIDENTS  
HAPPEN . . .













WHAT IF HE GOT  
OUT OF THE SUIT?  
WHAT IF HE FIGURED  
OUT HOW TO MAKE THE  
SUIT WORK? MAYBE  
HE GOT TO THE  
KITCHEN?

OKAY,  
OKAY. BUT  
YOU'RE STUCK  
HERE. I'LL GO  
WITHOUT  
YOU.

BUT-



YOUR MOM  
THINKS YOU  
HAVE THE  
FLU!

LISTEN, I'LL  
TAKE BANDAGES  
AND STUFF, AND  
IF HE'S ALIVE,  
I'LL, UH...

... STABILIZE  
HIM ...

... AND THEN  
I CAN TAKE CARE  
OF HIM UNTIL HE'S  
BETTER. I'LL TAKE OUT  
FOOD AND STUFF. THEN,  
WHEN HE'S BETTER, I'LL  
LEAVE AND GO TO CELL  
PHONE RANGE TO  
CALL FOR HELP.



THAT'LL GIVE  
ME TIME, TOO, TO  
CONVINCE HIM NOT  
TO TELL ANYONE  
ANYTHING.



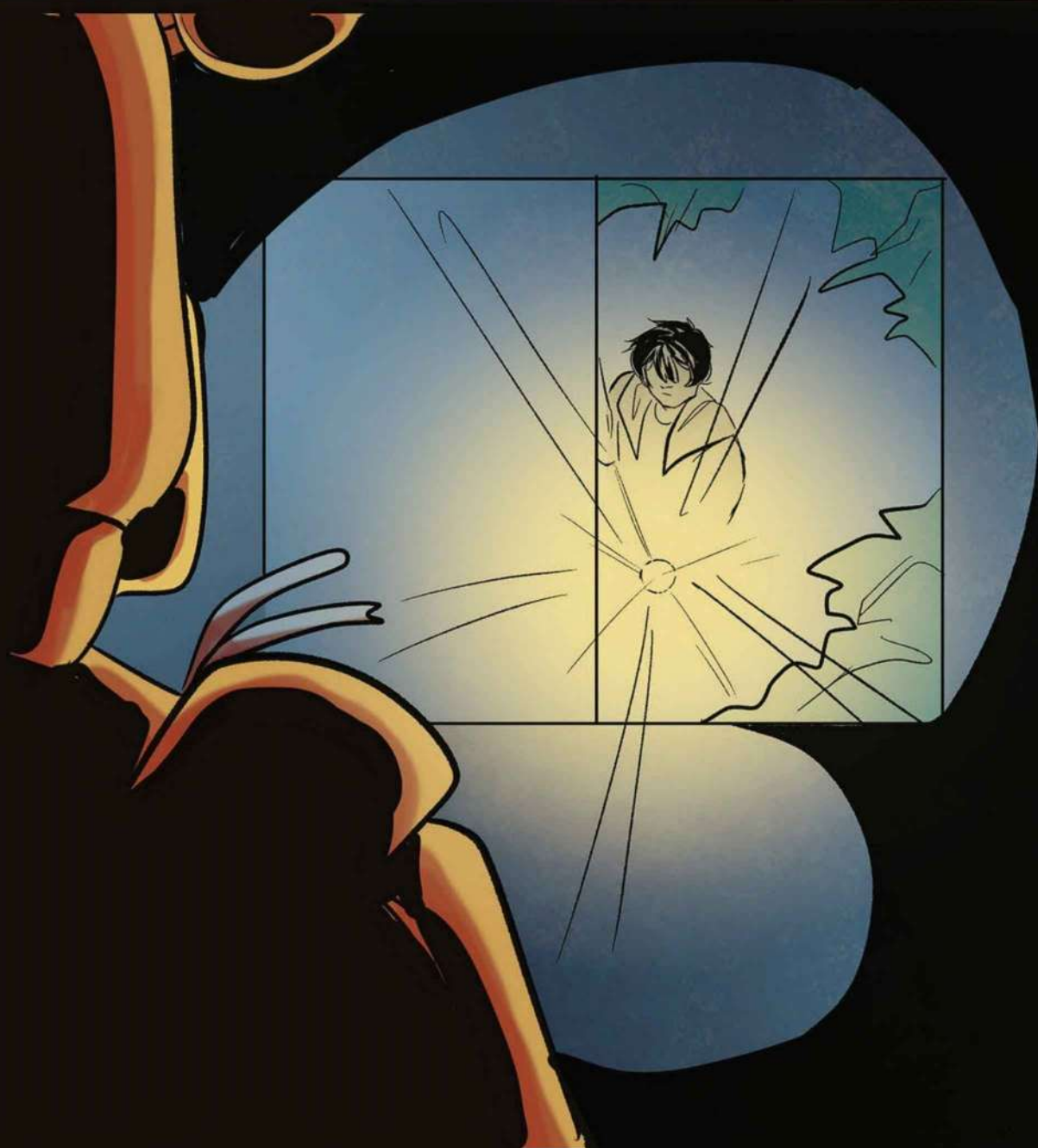
THAT'S  
A GOOD  
IDEA.

YOU'RE SO  
INNOCENT.  
YOU HAVE  
NO IDEA.











SORRY, MICK, BUT  
I'M NOT HERE TO  
NURSE KELSEY  
BACK TO HEALTH.

I'M HERE TO  
MAKE SURE  
HE'S . . .

. . . DEAD?



WHERE  
IS HE?



AM I  
ALONE?

DID  
THOSE  
MOVE?



I DON'T  
KNOW.  
I DON'T  
KNOW.





REALLY?



THIS . . .



THIS IS LIKE  
THAT BOUNCE  
HOUSE THAT  
EATS CHILDREN.

IF A BOUNCE HOUSE  
CAN EAT A TODDLER,  
THEN A BEAR  
COSTUME CAN EAT A  
TEENAGER, RIGHT?

GET A  
GRIP.  
CAN'T SEE  
ANYTHING IN  
THERE . . .











NEVER  
FELT . . .

AH!  
AH!

. . . PAIN  
LIKE THIS.

BLUGGGGRGHH~

HEEEEEELLLP!

I KNOW NOBODY'S  
COMING. BUT I  
CAN'T HELP IT.









DID SOMETHING  
JUST MOVE  
INSIDE THE  
SUIT? BUGS?

KELSEY?



NO. LET  
ME...



... GO!

IT'S ONLY  
CHOMPED  
UP MY ARM  
FARTHER!



WAIT. WHAT'S  
THAT? INSIDE? I  
SEE SOMETHING.



THAT'S  
A BODY.

BUT...

KELSEY'S HAIR IS  
WAVY BLOND. THAT  
HAIR IS BLACK.





**AAAAAAAH!**



AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA-





